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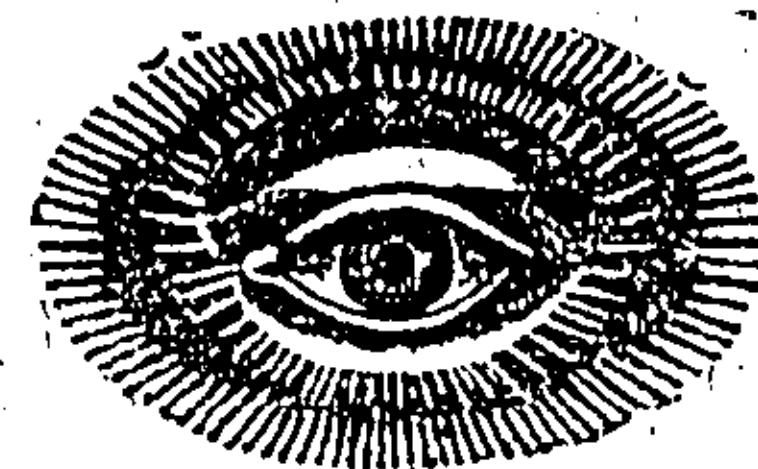
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General Chiang Kai-shek Changes His Plans.

HANKOW TO BE ATTACKED FIRST.

Communists Form a Strong New Alliance.

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Nanking's Forces Not To Advance Against Peking at Present.

Two sensational developments are reported from the North today. For General Chiang Kai-shek, Peking can now wait. The Nanking leader has decided to make an immediate attack against Hankow, feeling this is the more urgent need.

Meanwhile Hankow has taken steps to meet the new menace. The Reds' answer is a strong new alliance with the "Christian General" in supreme command. With a clash impending decisive battles are expected to follow.

HANKOW FIRST.

Peking Now To Await Its Turn.

Shanghai, June 15.

General Chiang Kai-shek and the Nanking Government have come to a decision whereby an offensive will be launched against the Hankow section of the Kuomintang, prior to attacking Shanghai province in the final bid for Peking.

This sudden change of policy is regarded as being of the greatest importance, having a bearing on the trend of events in the whole of China.

Only a "Blind."

Chiang Kai-shek had announced that he was going northwards to Hsuehchow on June 15 (to-day) but that is only a "blind." He is actually going up the Yangtze (westwards) to Kiukiang, where he is to confer with General Chu Pei-teh (of the 3rd Army) for an onslaught on Hankow to take place in the immediate future. "Hong Kong Evening Post."

How It Began.

Hankow, June 14.

Fighting between the 3rd Nationalist Army and local pickets took place at Shih-hui-yao on June 8 since when the 3rd Army has been reported at Hwang-shih-kwang.

Rice Famine.

The shortage of rice in Hankow is more acute than ever, due to the refusal of down-river ports to send up supplies.—British Naval Wireless.

Working Up to a Crisis.

Hankow's food crisis has been brought about by the cutting off of supplies through the Hankow Government's embargo on silver. Farmers are holding their products, as they refuse to sell against paper money. For some time past, it has been rumoured that the Hankow leaders would put rationing in hand.

A Sequel to the Split.

The 3rd Army referred to is commanded by General Chu Pei-teh and originally comprised Yunnanese mercenaries who definitely sided with the Kuomintang in the summer of 1925 when Canton was in a state of siege. After the recent Kuomintang split, General Chu Pei-teh threw in his lot with Hankow, but one of his division commanders, General Chin Han-tin, declared for Nanking.

Overtures to Nanking.

Kiukiang, June 14.

General Chu Pei-teh has resigned all appointments by the Hankow Government. He is sending a delegate to interview General Chiang Kai-shek with a view to future co-operation. "Hong Kong Evening Post."

Chu Pei-teh's change of colour is confirmed by the "Kung Sheung Yat Po," which says that communications between the mouth of the Yangtze River (including Shanghai) and Kiukiang have been restored, as the whole of the territory is held by the Nanking Party.

"No Man's Land."

Kiukiang is several hundreds of miles up the Yangtze but below Hankow. Around it is the "no man's land" which separated Nanking's and Hankow's respective spheres of influence.

Wireless messages this week indicated that General Chiang Kai-shek's 1st Army had been pushing back the 6th (Hunanese) Army which was loyal to Hankow. Perhaps this drive may have forced Chu Pei-teh to forsake Hankow for Nanking, but he is more likely to hold his present territory for Nanking rather than start an attack on Hankow.

Yangtze Quiet.

Shanghai, June 14.

The position at other Yangtze ports and locally is normal.—British Naval Wireless.

DEFINITE ALLIANCE.

Result of Recent Hankow Mission.

Hankow, June 14.

Apparently, the visit of the Hankow Communist officials (Sun Po, General Tan Yen-kai and General Chang Hua-hui) to Chengchow, the main base of the Hankow Army, has effected a definite alliance with Feng Yuxiang, if nothing else.

Complete Reunion.

The officials in question have returned to Hankow with General Tang Sheng-chi, who has been commanding the "Red" armies on the Honan front, the union with Feng having been apparently so complete that he has assumed command of the Hankow troops.

No advance has yet been reported from Chengchow.—British Naval Wireless.

Flirting With Feng.

While Marshal Chang Tso-lin, General Chiang Kai-shek and General Yen Hsi-shan are drifting further from each other daily, this alliance between the Hankow Party and the "Christian general" is the most significant development in China during the last few weeks.

Hankow always welcomed the Christian general because he had a big army that was supported by Russia and because he has been Peking's most bitter enemy; but the Christian general dallied because he did not want to become subservient to Hankow.

The Race for Peking.

Because he is not quite so well placed as Chiang Kai-shek in the race for Peking, and also because of the talk of a triple alliance between Peking, Shanai and Nanking, the Christian general has had to come into line with Hankow.

This was foreshadowed in yesterday's "China Mail." So as to avoid a squabble for the supreme position, a solution has been evolved by the Hankow politicians. The Christian general becomes commander-in-chief of the allied armies in the field, and General Tang Seng-chi (who has been Hankow's commander-in-chief) is returning to Hankow where he becomes head of the Military Council and chief of the general staff.

Another Conference.

The "Hong Kong Evening Post" predicts that another conference will follow at Hankow, when a decision will be come to with regard to the situation in Hunan province, which is to the south of Hankow and adjoins Kwangtung province. This report adds that the Christian general's attitude is still open to suspicion. His understanding with General Tang Seng-chi is based principally on a desire to divide the fruits of victory, each taking for himself a specified share of the conquered territory for which to raise revenue.

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BLAZING PLANE.

French Airmen's Lucky Escape.

INDIA FLIGHT CRASH.

Paris, June 14.

Two miles after starting from Le Bourget for India, Captain d'Oisy, who was accompanied by Gouin, crashed into a road.

The machine burst into flames, but the airmen escaped.—Reuter. [A Paris cable dated May 10 stated: Captain d'Oisy is planning to fly to Saigon, with only one halt, which will be in India.] Machine Destroyed.

Paris, June 14. Captain d'Oisy and Gouin, who hopped off from Le Bourget for a non-stop flight to Karachi, crashed in flames four kilometres from the starting place.

The airmen escaped unhurt but the plane was destroyed.—"Havas."

A Column of Flame.

Paris, June 14.

Captain d'Oisy had obvious difficulty in rising, being handicapped by the weight of the 5,000 litres of petrol, which upon the crash shot up in a column of flame visible at Le Bourget.

Help was immediately forth-



Captain d'Oisy.

coming, but the airmen had already got clear of the intensely blazing machine.—Reuter.

Clothing Aflame.

Paris, June 15.

Captain d'Oisy, after leaving Le Bourget, flew two miles barely topping the trees. He decided to land, which he successfully effected, but the under-carriage later collapsed.

The aviators jumped as the petrol exploded and miraculously escaped.

They rolled on the ground to extinguish their flaming clothes. Their hair was singed but otherwise they were unharmed.

Captain d'Oisy's first question after the accident was when could he have another machine.—Reuter.

British Attempt.

Rugby, June 14.

The wind, although light, was in the wrong direction to-day to permit of a satisfactory take off by the Royal Air Force aeroplane which is in readiness to attempt a non-stop flight to India.

The start will be made when conditions are satisfactory.

The French aviator, Captain d'Oisy also delayed his start on his attempted non-stop flight to the Far East this morning.

On taking out later in the day, his machine crashed when only four kilometres from Le Bourget aerodrome. The pilot and his companion Gouin were not injured, but the machine caught fire.—British Wireless Service. Cairo to the Cape.

Rugby, June 14.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. L. M. S. Amery, in answer to a parliamentary question, stated that the Home Government are most anxious to promote by any means in their power the Cairo to Cape Empire Air Route.

The matter has been the subject of consultations, but an immediate announcement is expected as it has been offered for decision to the various governments concerned.—British Wireless Service.

Portuguese Airmen's Misfortune.

Buenos Aires, June 14.

The Portuguese world aviator, Major Beires, has suffered further misfortune, his machine being destroyed while flying from Para to Georgetown. A fishing boat rescued him and his companions.—Reuter's American Service.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Capt. Lindbergh's Welcome in New York.

New York, June 14.

There was an ear-splitting cacophony of sirens of countless

TOKYO RIOT.

Chinese In Clash With Police.

EIGHTY-FIVE ARRESTS MADE.

Shanghai, June 15.

On June 12, a number of Chinese students in Tokyo organised a meeting to protest against the despatch of Japanese troops to North China.

There was a clash between the Japanese police and members of the Kuomintang in which 32 Chinese were injured and 85 were arrested for causing disturbances.

Feeling here has been aroused at the incident and people are talking of giving support to members in Japan of the Kuomintang, at the same time asking the Nanking Government to send a strong protest.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

TO-DAY'S WEATHER FORECAST.

S. winds, moderate; fair to showery. Is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

The feature of the weather map is a depression covering the whole of China.

Rainfall for the twenty-four hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day 30 ins. Total since January 1, 49.73 ins. against an average of 90.96 ins.

Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day, barometer, 29.71; temperature, 81; humidity, 87; Wind, S.S.E., force 2.

DANGERS OF THE STREET.

While walking in Hillier Street, West Point, at 9 p.m., yesterday, a Chinese was knocked unconscious by a bundle of fireworks falling on his head from the second floor verandah of a house he was passing at the time. The man was taken to the Government Civil Hospital where he is now in a serious condition.

In connection with the armed robbery at Shataukok when a Chinese farmer was shot at and seriously wounded by three outlaws, one bullock and two calves of the herd stolen by the robbers were recovered on the hillside. No arrest has yet been made.

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Naval Air Service.

Washington, June 14.

Mr. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy, asked whether, in view of the trans-Atlantic flights of Lindbergh and Chamberlin he will ask for larger appropriations for the naval air service, expressed the opinion that the aviators' achievements would tend to encourage the development of commercial rather than military aviation.

He pointed out that Congress had already approved a five year air programme for the army and navy but believed they might perhaps be more inclined to favour the air services in future.—Reuter's American Service.

JAIL THREAT.

Magistrate & a Company Manager.

PEAK FLATS INVOLVED.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, the Building Authority summoned the manager of the Rural Land Investment Company for failing to comply with a P.W.D., notice to take down some scaffolding from some flats in the course of erection on the Peak.

Mr. D. L. Strellett told the Magistrate that while the Company was still in existence, it was not functioning, and the building of the flats was not being proceeded with. The Managing Director of the Company was at present in Shanghai, but two of the Directors were in the Colony, and he (Mr. Strellett) had definite instruction from them to represent the Company at Court. He suggested that if the Building Authority would agree to a week's remand he would undertake to put the matter forcefully before the Directors and have the scaffolding taken down before the next hearing.

Mr. R. S. W. Patterson of the P.W.D., said that as the offence had been admitted he did not see any reason for the adjournment. Also the Building Authority would prefer an order from the Court for the scaffolding to be taken down to their satisfaction within a week.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$25 and made the order asked for.

Mr. Strellett said he did not think the fine would be paid immediately.

The Magistrate decided to give an alternative of 14 days' jail. Mr. Strellett said he did not think the Magistrate could imprison the Company.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that the Manager of the Company was summoned, Mr. Strellett had put in an appearance in his behalf and the Magistrate had accepted his appearance as such.

Mr. Strellett: But there is only myself here, your Worship.—(Laughter.)

Mr. Lindsell said that if the fine was not paid he would issue a warrant for the Manager's arrest.

Mr. Strellett: I shall have difficulty in pointing out the Manager, your Worship.

The Magistrate replied that it would be for the police to execute the warrant.

PRAYA INCIDENT.

BICYCLE THROWN INTO THE HARBOUR.

ASSAULT CHARGE FOLLOWS.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with disorderly conduct on the Praya at West Point yesterday morning, and assaulting another Chinese.

According to Inspector Grant the complainant was riding a bicycle along the Praya when he accidentally collided with the accused who was removing cargo with some other men.

The accused and his folks set upon the complainant and tore his coat badly. They then pitched his bicycle into the harbour. The complainant reported the matter at the police station. While he was there the accused came in with a rusty bicycle which he said a small boy had fished out of the harbour. Unluckily for the accused the complainant recognised him as one of his assailants and he was charged.

The complainant also said that the bicycle produced was not his property. He had not attempted to recover his machine from the harbour because he was afraid he would be assaulted again if he went back to the Praya. The Magistrate adjourned the case until to-morrow for the police to assist the complainant in recovering his bicycle. Bail in the sum of \$25 was extended.

EUROPEAN IN HARBOUR.

Found by the police at 11.50 a.m., yesterday swimming in the harbour near the Star Ferry wharf, a European was fished out and taken to the Government Civil Hospital. Stated to have been under the influence of liquor at the time, the man's name was given in the police reports as H. Heggum, aged 49. His occupation was given as a ship's engineer.

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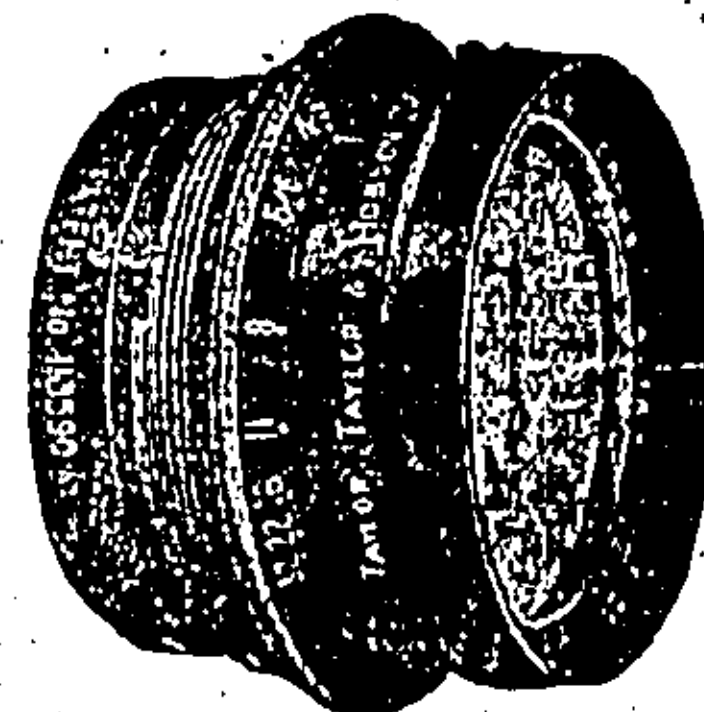
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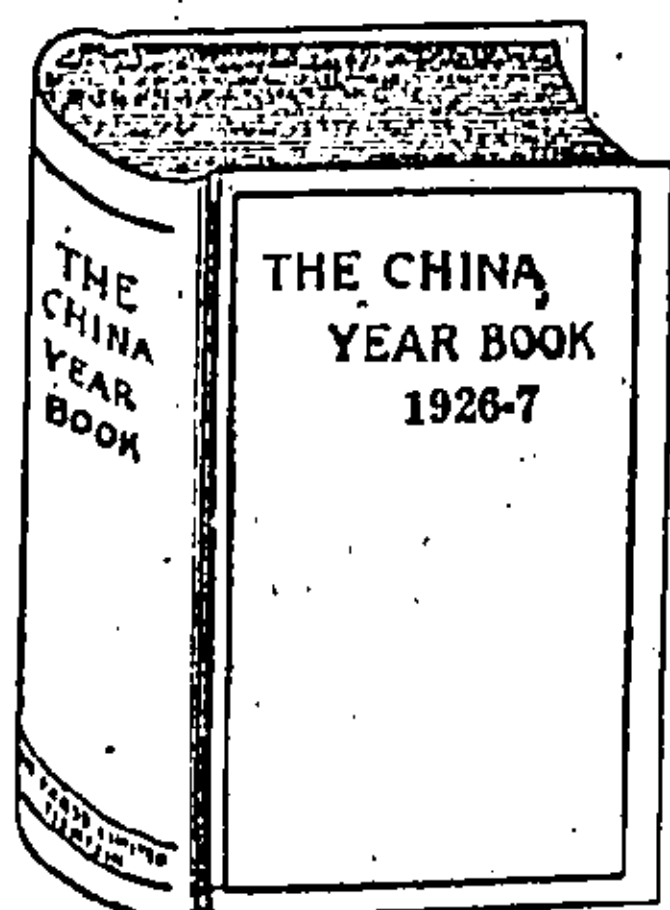
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NURSEMAID'S PASSPORT.

ACTION AGAINST A HARBOUR MASTER.

PORT SWETTENHAM CASE.

In the Klang police court on June 2 before Mr. J. W. Hughes, acting District Officer, Klang, an action was heard in which Lt.-Commander A. C. Bucknell, R.N.R., Harbour-Master, Port Swettenham, was charged with having in his possession on June 1, 1927, at Port Swettenham, without lawful authority, a passport belonging to Miss Annie Phillips, an offence punishable under Regulation 11 (c) made under the Passport Enactment of 1920. Mr. E. D. Shearn appeared for the complainant and Mr. H. H. Hopson-Walker for the defendant.

Mr. Hopson-Walker said that Lt.-Commander Bucknell was unable to be present in court on account of official duties, having had to board some men-of-war coming into port. Mr. Shearn said that the regulation under which Lt.-Commander Bucknell was charged read as follows: "Any person who without lawful authority has on his person a passport issued for the use of some other person than himself would be committing an offence punishable with imprisonment for a term extending to six months or a fine not exceeding \$850 or both."

The facts of the case were briefly as follows: Lt.-Commander Bucknell had in his possession since June 1, a passport issued to the complainant, who had repeatedly asked for it from him. The complainant, Miss Phillips, was in the employ of Lt.-Commander Bucknell, and had left his service at the end of last month. It was her desire to go to England by a ship leaving Port Swettenham on Tuesday, the 7th inst. and as her passport had been held back she had been unable to purchase her ticket. About May 26, Miss Phillips had asked Lt.-Commander Bucknell for her passport, but he had refused to give it. A case was heard in this connection in the Port Swettenham court, but the action was dismissed, the reason, he understood, being that it was held that on May 31 possession of the passport by the defendant was lawful, the magistrate holding that Miss Phillips at that time was part of the household of Lt.-Commander Bucknell. As from June 1, the grounds on which the learned magistrate had based his judgment had disappeared. A new offence had been committed. It would appear that Lt.-Commander Bucknell had acted in an extremely arbitrary manner without any regard for the complainant's interests or happiness.

Complainant's Evidence.

Miss Annie Phillips, 23 years of age, giving evidence, said that she was employed as nurse to Lt.-Commander Bucknell's child in South Africa at \$3 a month. She was with them for nine months there, but during that time she had seen very little of Mr. and Mrs. Bucknell as they were away in England. She was not anxious to come out to the F.M.S. with them, but Mrs. Bucknell told her that it would be a chance for her to see the country and that she could go back when she wanted to. There was no arrangement made that she should work for any definite period. She arrived at Port Swettenham in March, 1926, on the pay of \$3 a month. At the rate of exchange then it came to \$26.71, and she drew this salary until three or four months ago, when she was given a rise to \$28. At the end of April she was paid \$30.

Mr. Shearn: Have you been happy at Port Swettenham?—On very few occasions.

Continuing, the witness said that in April she decided that she would leave, and in May she tendered her resignation. Mrs. Bucknell said that she could not leave as she (Mrs. Bucknell) had signed an agreement with the South African Government, that complainant would return to South Africa. The witness intended going to Scotland with Capt. and Mrs. Smith, who had returned from Swettenham on May 31, but she did not receive her passport. At 8.35 a.m. on June 1 she left the defendant's house, and later rang him up and asked him again for her passport, but again he refused to give it her.

His Worship: How did your passport come into his possession?—As far as I know, I think Mrs. Bucknell gave it to him.

The Main Trouble.

Cross-examined by Mr. Walker, the witness said that she entered the defendant's service from the Continent of the Holy Cross, South Africa. She was then just over 21 years of age. It was not true that her parents had died. She had her father and a sister and brother in South Africa. It was also not true that she was anxious to come to the F.M.S.

Mr. Walker: You are now anxious to see the British Isles, that is the main trouble?—To leave the F.M.S. It was true that Mrs. Bucknell was thinking of sending the witness back to South Africa in about six months time. It was, however, not a certainty. The \$3 that she received in South Africa was not the standard wage for a nurse. A nurse was paid what she was worth. She received board and lodging, etc., she admitted, but she thought it was due. Here in the F.M.S. she received a salary and her travelling expenses were paid, besides her board and lodging which were provided. She admitted that she gave notice on May 3 and left

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the service on June 1. She intended leaving with the Smiths for Scotland and would be employed by them there. When she came out to Port Swettenham with Mrs. Bucknell, there was no arrangement about the period of time that she should work for her. Mrs. Bucknell's liabilities, she admitted, as long as the witness was with her were that she should have employment and board and lodging. The passport, she said, was not signed by her in the presence of any official in South Africa, but before Mr. Bucknell only. Mrs. Bucknell, she thought, paid for the passport.

A Case for Immediate Action.

Mr. W. A. C. Haines, A.C.P., Selangor Coast, said that he had himself served the defendant with the summons. In reply to Mr. Walker the witness said that it was true he thought that the case was a civil one, but he had made a police case of it as he was of the opinion that it was one which required immediate action.

In reply to Mr. Shearn, the witness said that the defendant informed him that the passport was in the post, addressed to the Legal Adviser or the Passport Officer, to which he (the witness) was not quite certain.

The Defence.

Mr. Hopson-Walker said that even supposing Lt.-Commander Bucknell had done all they stated, the question arose whether it was an offence under the enactment. The material part of the enactment was contained in a single section, which counsel quoted. If the lady had made an application to the Government for a passport, if the Government thought that she should get it, it would have granted her another one.

Mr. Shearn said that he had seen the Passport Officer about this and it was not so.

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Continuing, counsel said that the defendant was entitled to withhold the passport to protect the lady herself. The passport had been posted to the Federal Secretariat with a letter explaining all the circumstances of the case and throwing the full responsibility on the F.M.S. Government, whether the passport should be given to the complainant, who would in all probability be stranded in England, where she had no one of her own.

During the course of the case Mr. Haines informed the court that he had got through to the Passport Officer on the telephone and he had promised to hand the passport over to Mr. Shearn next morning.

A Technical Offence.

The magistrate held that the defendant had committed a technical offence in retaining the passport and imposed a fine of \$15 and costs.

AUSTRALIAN ROMANCE.

Millionaire's Son Engaged To Actress.

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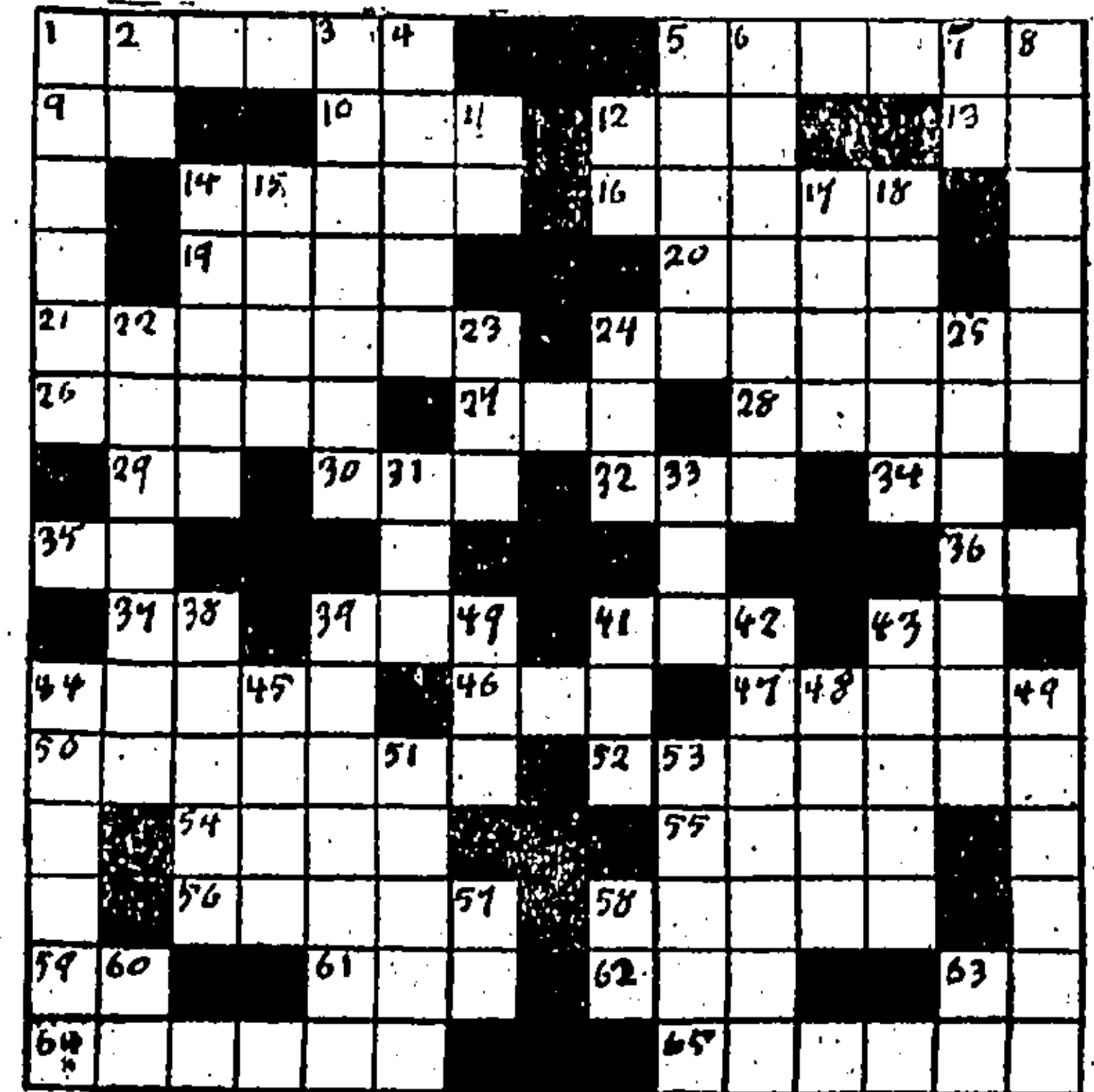
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| 1. To collect, as a harvest. | 1. A staircase. |
| 2. Refinement. | 2. A. E. (Actual). |
| 3. Second tone of the diatonic scale. | 3. Handsome. |
| 4. Card-game. | 4. R. O. L. A. G. (Actual). |
| 5. Standard measure of electrical resistance. | 5. The barbed iron head of a dart. |
| 6. Three-toed sloth. | 6. A kind of pancake or fritter made chiefly with eggs (plural). |
| 7. Chinese denomination of money (plural). | 7. S. A. (Actual). |
| 8. Brings forth. | 8. A Linnaean genus of coleopterous insects. |
| 9. The grand division of cryptogamic plants. | 11. Bone. |
| 10. A melody. | 12. O. T. (Actual). |
| 11. The price paid for carting. | 13. Stop. |
| 12. 14th century knife or dagger. | 14. Part of music between tenor and soprano. |
| 13. To make known. | 15. 5,280 feet. |
| 14. Ge. le heat. | 16. Flatness. |
| 15. T. Y. (Actual). | 17. Same as ADVOWTRY. |
| 16. To come fully up to. | 18. Likewise. |
| 17. Turkish arrow (plural). | 19. Trouble. |
| 18. S. G. (Actual). | 20. Allied by blood. |
| 19. Compass point. | 21. Mellow, as land. |
| 20. Word of denial. | 22. To know. |
| 21. T. R. (Actual). | 23. A steep elevation. |
| 22. A thing not directly aimed at. | 24. Fine. |
| 23. Girl's name. | 25. E. F. E. (Actual). |
| 24. A. A. (Actual). | 26. Yes. |
| 25. Recompense. | 27. A Japanese palanquin. |
| 26. Doomed. | 28. Made of ash. |
| 27. Kilt to dry hops (plural). | 29. A lance. |
| 28. Compound formed by the union of water with some other substance, generally forming a neutral salt. | 30. C. R. L. M. (Actual). |
| 29. Made of earth. | 31. The aromatic principle. |
| 30. To unite. | 32. Abounding with knots. |
| 31. Religious ceremony. | 33. Long-winged aquatic fowl (plural). |
| 32. Arabian military commanders. | 34. Smoky. |
| 33. An evil spirit. | 35. S. Y. (Actual). |
| 34. Mother. | 36. Same as 43 across. |
| 35. The upward curves of the lines of a ship, as they recede from the midsheips. | 37. The termination of many English words, denoting an agent. |
| 36. The Lion, 5th sign of the Zodiac. | |
| 37. For example (abbreviated). | |
| 38. Burrows. | |
| 39. Full of knots. | |

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"Kum Sang" (3,341) British, from Amoy—Jardine's—731 passengers, 1,985 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 508 tons general cargo (through).
"Mirzapore" (4,135) British, from Moji—Mackinnon Mackenzie—80 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,120 tons general cargo (through).
"Hydrangea" (551) British, from Port Bayard—Chiu On S.S. Co.—204 passengers, 80 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Foshing" (1,423) British, from Canton—Jardine's—48 tons general cargo (through).
"Chinan" (1,355) British, from Amoy—B. & S.—45 passengers, 320 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 300 tons general cargo (through).
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"Mondago" (874) Norwegian, from Kohsichang—Kien Tye Lung—3 passengers, 1,800 tons rice for Hong Kong.
"Koku Maru" (918) Japanese, from Canton—O.S.K.—5 tons general cargo (through).
"Times Maru" (1,305) Japanese, from Keelung—M.B.K.—500 tons coal for Hong Kong, 2,700 tons coal (through).
"Yendai Maru" (2,069) Japanese, from Dalren—M.B.K.—2,700 tons coal for Hong Kong, 1,400 tons coal (through).
"Chang Woo" (1,234) Chinese, from Swatow—Wallen & Co.—"Taisama" (402) Chinese, from Kwong Chow Wan—Wing Hung & Co.—285 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Departures.
For Hoihow:—Yuan On, Cheong Shing.
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For Singapore:—Sandviken.
For Bangkok:—Apsey.
Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	Port.
British	5	6	27
Japanese	3	1	6
Norwegian	2	1	8
Chinese	2	2	16
Dutch	1	1	1
French	0	2	1
American	1	1	1
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	3
Total	14	14	69

RUM SHIP.

A CARGO WORTH \$73,000 TO BE CONFISCATED.

Charleston, June 14.
The Federal Court has ordered the forfeiture of a liquor cargo valued at \$73,000 of the Canadian schooner "Vince," which was brought into port on March 15 and charged with being a rum runner. The Court imposed a similar fine collectable from the proceeds of the sale of the vessel.
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Stowing away on the s.s. "President Jackson" when the ship left Hong Kong on June 7 for Manila, a Chinese was discovered when one day out of port. He was made a prisoner on board when the ship reached Manila and brought back to Hong Kong on the return trip. Yesterday he was produced before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy charged with stowing away. He pleaded that he had applied for and obtained a job from the steward. He was to be given a free passage to Manila in return for his services. The steward who had himself discovered the accused on board denied that there had been any such arrangement as suggested by the accused. He was of course given work to do on board after his discovery. The Magistrate passed sentence of three weeks' hard labour.

MADRIGAL SHIPS COST \$112,000.

Washington, June 8.
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LOCKED GRILLES.

"Leung Kwong" Disaster
Inquiry.

CAPTAIN GIVES EVIDENCE.

Captain J. R. Wilson, the 78-year-old master of the ill-fated s.s. "Leung Kwong," gave evidence at yesterday afternoon's resumption of the inquest on Mr. F. E. A. Martin (Chief Officer) and others who perished in the Capsicum disaster on May 9 last. He said he had been in command of the "Leung Kwong" for four years. The ship was a 398-ton wooden vessel registered in Canton, and was about seven years old. On the day of the collision the "Leung Kwong" left her berth in Connaught Road Central at about 7 p.m. for her usual trip to Kowloon. There were about 150 passengers on board. She also carried some cargo but was not heavily laden. Generally the ship carried 300 passengers on such trips, so that on this particular trip she carried half the usual number. The ship was in a thoroughly good seaworthy condition. The witness was on the bridge until the vessel cleared the harbour fairway, and then he turned over to the Chief Officer (Mr. Martin) and went to his cabin. He left instructions with the Chief Officer to call him if necessity arose. About 7.40 p.m., the witness heard two blasts sounded on the "Leung Kwong's" siren and he went out at once. About 40 feet away on the star-

MONSOON BREAKS.

Bombay, June 14.
The monsoon has broken.—
Reuter.

board side the witness saw red and green lights of a vessel which was making straight for the "Leung Kwong." Witness immediately saw that a collision was unavoidable and called to the Chief Officer to cut the lashings of the two lifeboats situated one on either side of the upper deck. Each of these boats could carry about 30 people at a pinch. Besides the lifeboats the "Leung Kwong" also carried a small dingy. There was no time for the Chief Officer to cut the lashings before the crash came. At the impact the witness was struck on the shoulder by something and did not remember anything more until he found himself on board the s.s. "On Lee."

Question of Grilles.

When the witness first came out of his cabin the "Leung Kwong" was heading straight up Capsicum Pass. He had no time to look around to notice how far land was from the ship on either side.

Replying to a question suggested by Inspector Doring, Capt. Wilson said that besides the boats mentioned there were three rafts and some life buoys on board the "Leung Kwong." The rafts were on top of the awning above the upper deck. They were not tied down in any way and should have floated when the ship sank. The witness believed that it was one of these rafts that struck him and rendered him unconscious. These rafts could support 10 to 12 persons each.

"What is She Doing?"

By Mr. Brutton: The "Leung Kwong" had accommodation for eight first class and about 120 second class passengers. The rest of the accommodation was for about 150 third class passengers. Between the 'tween and lower decks of the "Leung Kwong" was a hatchway about five feet by four with a ladder about the same width. When the ship entered the danger zone, the hatchway was closed by a grille, in which was fitted a man-hole. A ladder led from this man-hole on the 'tween to the upper deck. The upper deck was reserved for the Captain's, Officers' and Engineers' quarters. The seamen's quarters were in the fore part of

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July 19	San Francisco	Leviathan	Aug. 20	Plath-Chrg Aug. 26
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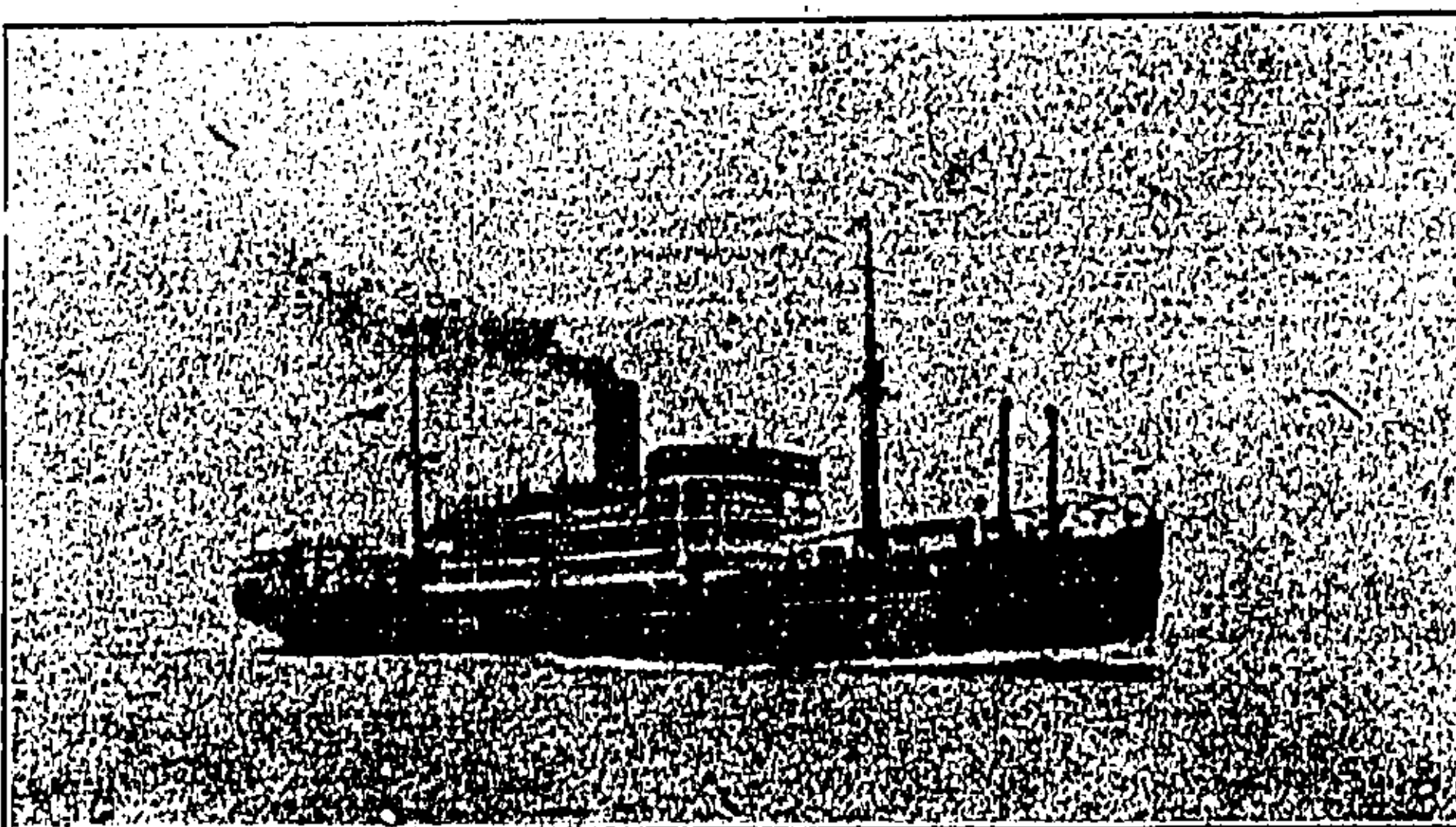
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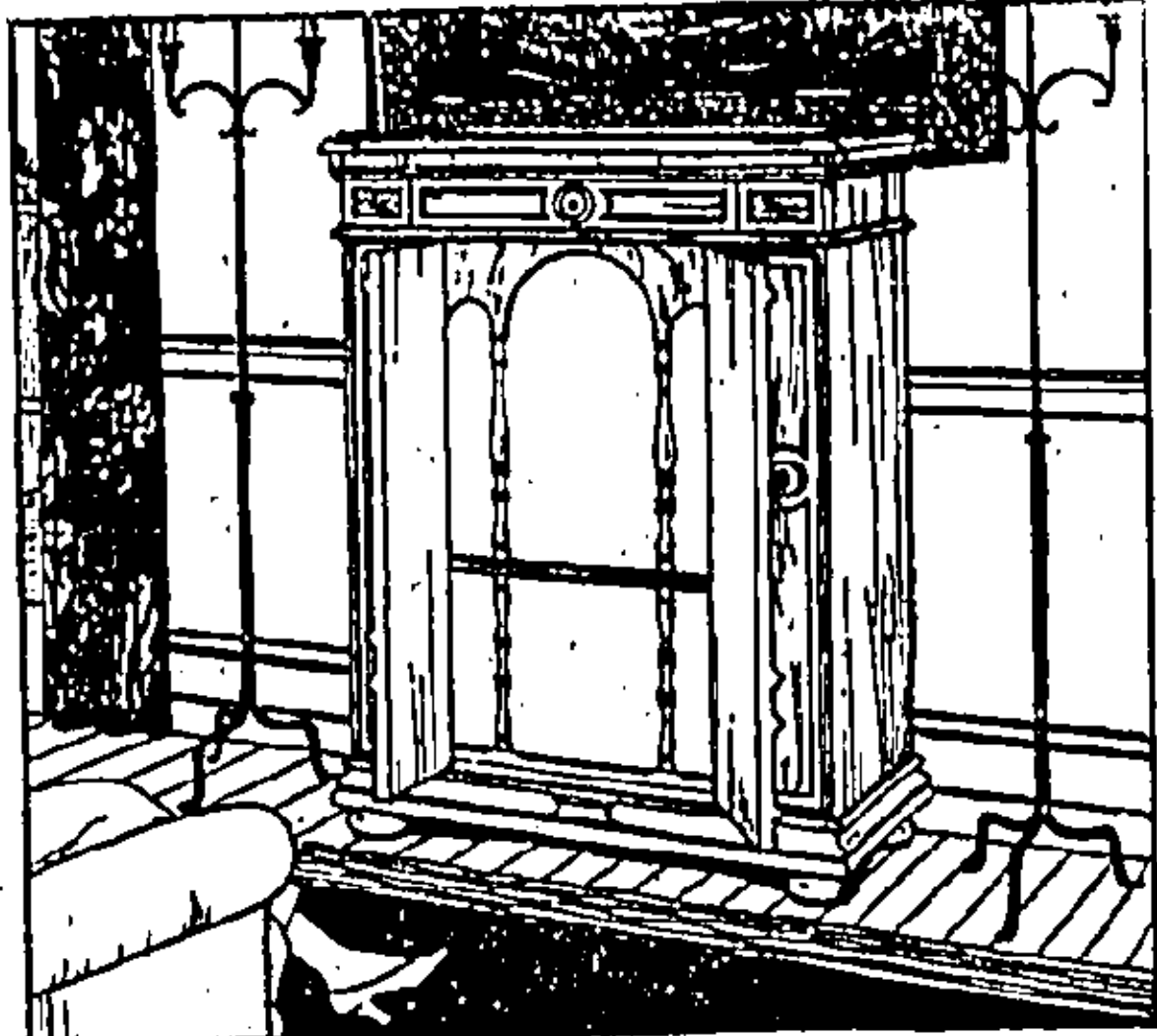
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THE MAN OF THE HOUR.

A pleasing picture of General Chiang Kai-shek is furnished by Mr. R. S. Norman, legal adviser to the General and to the Nationalist Government at Nanking—pleasing because it may present to the outside public views quite at variance with those formed up to the present. Every man, of course, has his enemies, and none more so than the leader of a military expedition based on securing the unification of China by means of the sword. In the past the war lords of China have with good reason been suspected: their objective was always self-aggrandisement and their methods of reaching that objective were ever more or less ruthless. Thus, it was easy to deal in comparisons when speaking about Chiang Kai-shek, particularly when some of his own actions and utterances seemed strangely inharmonious to the foreigner whose interests were menaced or imperilled.

If it is fair to give even the devil his due it must be only plain and square justice to give a man in the exalted position of General Chiang Kai-shek credit where credit is deserved. It may be that his American legal adviser is biased in much the same manner that every loyal employee is to a master who treats him well. Still, after deducting a certain percentage of his statements on the ground of slight exaggeration, the pen picture which he draws of Chiang Kai-shek is ex-

tremely impressive, tending to re-echo his hope that at long last China has found a man able and willing to rise superior to sordid personal interests and to sacrifice everything possible on the altar of China's eventual salvation. In Mr. Norman's words, "he is imbued with the ideal of a united China, peaceful and prosperous, and is not actuated by the base motives of self-aggrandisement or lust of wealth or power." Moreover, says the same authority, "he has no vices, no bad habits, and lives within his income; he does not gamble, does not lead a life of luxury, and has few wants." And much more in the same strain, which makes us realise more than ever the immense hold that Chiang Kai-shek has taken over the Chinese, military and civilian, in those territories over which he is supreme to-day. Almost gratefully we notice that Mr. Norman does not advance the claim that Chiang Kai-shek is something in the nature of a superman, although it is good to be told that he is "a clean man—clean morally, mentally, and physically." More than that is not asked of any individual, be he private or General, but a combination of such attributes ought to carry Chiang Kai-shek very far in his objective—the complete unification of China and the building up of a prosperous and peaceful nation.

Traffic Dangers.

During his term as Governor of Hong Kong Sir Edward Stubbs spent a brief holiday in the Philippines. Interviewed by the "China Mail" on his return, he made some caustic remarks about traffic control in Hong Kong, adding that we could learn much from Manila. These remarks and the subsequent tour of the Captain Superintendent of Police to study police methods at Home and in the United States appear to have borne fruit. Since that time special attention has been paid to traffic control in Hong Kong and there is no doubt that the Colony to-day is much better organised in this respect. The latest step in making our streets safer is the installing of an Agn traffic signalling device at the junction of Pedder Street and Des Voeux Road. This junction being one of the busiest in the Colony, the experiment will be watched with interest, especially as we are told that, after the new device has been given a lengthy trial, the system may be extended to other points in the Colony. Meanwhile, we trust that the traffic authorities

will not lose sight of the rider added to the verdict at the inquiry into the death of the little girl killed by a motor bus in Bonham Road on May 29. The jury, it will be remembered, returned a verdict of "death by misadventure," attaching no blame to the bus driver in any way. However they added a recommendation that signs similar to those outside schools should be placed outside Churches and other places of assembly, especially all places where children gather. Such a measure is at once so sensible and so inexpensive that there can be no excuse for any delay in carrying it into effect.

WORKERS' RIGHTS.

PROBLEMS BEFORE LABOUR CONFERENCE.

Geneva, June 14.
At the Labour Conference, on the ground that the draft questionnaire as regards the freedom of association has been amended by the governments so as not to afford protection for the workers' rights, the workers' delegates voted against the questionnaire, which was rejected by 54 to 42 votes.
A resolution was finally adopted by 50 to 42 votes to refer the subject back to the committee with a view to reaching a compromise between the contending views of the workers and employers.—Reuter.

HEALTH RESTORED.

MR. J. R. MACDONALD TO RETURN TO POLITICS.

Rugby, June 14.
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, leader of His Majesty's Opposition, who has been convalescing at Lossiemouth, states in a letter to his Party that he is no longer an invalid and anticipates that he will return to politics at the end of the month.—British Wireless Service.

ALLEGED FRAUD.

FAR EASTERN MERCHANT SWINDLED.

Calgary, June 14.
Three men have been arrested, allegedly international "confidence tricksters," and charged with swindling W. J. Brown described as a wealthy Far Eastern merchant of \$50,000.
The arrested men were in possession of \$250,000, supposedly counterfeit Mexican dollar bills.—Reuter's American Service.

PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAY.

Washington, June 14.
President and Mrs. Coolidge have proceeded to the Black Hills, South Dakota, to spend the summer amidst the forest twelve miles from the railway station. Parts of the finest trout streams in the Black Hills have been reserved for the President and his guests.—Reuter's American Service.

EGYPTIAN CRISIS ENDED.

Cairo, June 14.
The crisis has ended with the presentation of Sarwat Pasha's reply to the British Note, asking for further explanations of the Egyptian Government's attitude and the Residency's acceptance of the reply.—Reuter.

BALLROOM SHOOTING.

Porto Alegre, Brazil, June 14.
Eleven were killed and 27 wounded at a dance last night by soldiers who fired on the dancers. They were allegedly obeying the orders of an officer who was refused admission to the ballroom. The soldiers were arrested.—Reuter.

NICARAGUA.

Washington, June 14.
Five hundred United States blue-jackets are being withdrawn from Nicaragua following the disarmament of the contending factions, but it has been decided that 3,500 Marines shall remain in the country.—Reuter's American Service.

BATAVIAN COMMUNISTS.

Batavia, June 14.
Two native communists were killed and two police wounded in a fight between communists and the police at a village near Macassar. Twelve rioters were arrested, including the leader, who was seriously wounded. Some communist literature was seized and order soon restored.—Reuter.

DID NOT KNOW IT.

MAN WHO WAS ROBBED TWICE.

WHIPPING FOR PICKPOCKET.

A Chinese youth was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with picking the pocket of a Chinese in Wanchai last night.
According to the complainant he was among a crowd standing outside Isako's Circus when a Chinese constable approached him with the accused in custody and asked him if he had lost anything. He searched his pockets and found that \$2.50 in money and a knife and two keys on a ring were missing. The accused was searched by the constable and the knife and keys were found on his person. The money was not recovered.
The constable said he saw the accused pick the complainant's pocket and immediately grabbed him. The witness did not think it possible for the accused to pass the money to someone else before he was caught. He was inclined to the belief that the complainant's pocket had been picked once previously and the money removed. The accused was apparently the second member of the light finger brigade to pick out the complainant as a victim.
The Magistrate convicted and Inspector Blackman proved two previous convictions last year.
Mr. Lindsell: You were whipped twice before. Do you like it?—I was beaten only once.
You enjoyed it, I suppose? You will receive 12 strokes this time.

DAIRY FARM WATER.

CARRYING OUT FILTER TESTS.

SANITARY BOARD REFERENCE.

The installation of a filter at the Dairy Farm, Pokfulam and the carrying out of a series of tests which will extend over a considerable period was mentioned at the Sanitary Board meeting yesterday. The experiments are being conducted, said Mr. N. L. Smith, the President, by the Principal Civil Medical Officer and staff of experts.
Mr. J. P. Braga remarked that he and Dr. Macgregor had minutes regarding the question of the Dairy Farm filter, and having regard to the necessity of keeping the sources of water there entirely free from suspicion he would like to have an assurance that this water should not be used whilst the experiments were being undertaken. It was very necessary that the Colony's milk supply should be protected from any possible direct contamination or indirect contamination through cleansing.
The President remarked that he would take up the point.
There was no other business of public interest at the meeting at which there were present, in addition to the President, the following: Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. J. P. Braga, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Jackman (Acting Director of Public Works), Dr. G. W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health) and Mr. D. Davies (Secretary).

SEDITION CHARGE.

Chang Kong, who was last week formally remanded on a charge of possession of seditious literature was this morning produced before Major C. Willson.
Sub-Inspector Andrews said that the translator at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs was unable to attend Court that morning, but he could put in translations duly signed by the translator if the Magistrate would accept them.
Major Willson thought that the translations had better be proved.
Sub-Inspector Andrews then applied for another remand in order to produce the translator.
Hearing of the case was fixed for 11.50 a.m., on Saturday.

MUD AND STONES.

Roadway outside Isako's Circus at Wanchai, the second case of its nature within two days, was smartly punished by Major C. Willson yesterday afternoon when he fined a Chinese \$50 or four weeks' jail for throwing stones. An Indian watchman employed at the Circus saw the accused throwing the stones and was hit by one of them on the shoulder. He chased and caught the accused. According to Sergeant Rozesky this kind of nuisance had been going on for some days. Sometimes the hooligans threw mud besides stones, and on one occasion a Chinese gentleman had his coat damaged to the extent of \$30.

Money and jewellery worth \$176 was stolen from No. 124, Connaught Road Central last night.

A burglar entered the second floor of No. 388, Shanghai Street, Yaumatei, last night and made a haul of jewellery and clothing worth \$81. The theft was not discovered until this morning.

MR. GEORGE ROBEY.

LONDON'S CHAMPION PESSIMIST.

"ENGLAND RUN BY WOMEN! PAH!"

George Robey looked round him sternly, sighed, and said: "I'm a pessimist now—an absolute pessimist."
He was not jesting on the day of his 20,000th stage appearance. At the age of 57 he looked on the world and found it rotten.
His famous eyebrows wagged with despairing wrath as we talked, writes an "Evening News" representative. His famous whimsical voice, which has moved millions of people to laughter, almost moved me to tears as he condemned, in one great sweep, the modern generation, the modern stage hands, votes for flappers, sex plays, wireless—"and the whole blame shoot!"
He shook a warning finger at me. "Never mind about my career," he said, glancing menacingly around the lounge of the Piccadilly Hotel. "You don't want to write about my career. Listen to me."

A Serious Man, Really.

"I'm a pessimist. Surprised? Why should you be! Because I act the jester on the stage? Well, that's my job."
"I'm a serious man, really."
"These votes for flappers nonsense. What on earth's the use of it? I thought when they gave women the vote at all it was about time for another war. And now to give votes to girls of 21—it's asinine!"
"Why, they'll vote for the man who can play the saxophone best. They'll vote for—"
He broke off, with a twitch of the eyebrows, to attack the modern girl en masse. "She's all gone to pieces," he said, fiercely. "She thinks she can run this country, England run by women—pah!"
"Look at the young man of today. He's feeble. I don't blame him altogether—the war took his father and his big brother away from him, and let him run loose. But what can you do with him?"
The famous eyebrows twitched again as George Robey turned on another scent.

Toil, and Those Who Don't.
"The modern workman!" he said. "I'd put them all on piece-work. I'd make them work. I'm not for the under-dog—I'd make the under-dog learn to be something else."

"On the tombstone of the British Empire you'll find this inscribed:
How Many More Hours to Work?
And How Much Do I Get for Them?"

"It's the same with stage hands. You should see how they stand about. I just brush them out of the way. 'People say to me, They'll kill you one of these days.'"

"What do I care? Let 'em!"
The great mirth-maker, intensely earnest, told how he goes to Bolshevik meetings every Saturday, and bawls them down. "I tell 'em what they are," he said.

And then, with eyebrows flying, he turned to attack sex plays. "Why can't they keep that stuff for the pulpit?" he demanded. "It's degenerate, anyway. I'm not afraid to say it—degenerate. Who wants to hear it in the theatre?"

Long Live the Ancient Jokes!

He sprang to the defence of the great jokes—the Mother-in-law, Hen-pecked husband, and Red-hot poker.

"The highbrows say those jokes are dead. Nonsense! People will always laugh at a mother-in-law on the stage. So they will at a red-hot poker. Those things are human, aren't they?"

"And it's the human things that last. Believe me, the red-hot poker will live longer than any of this sex business."

As for wireless—"Well, how can you broadcast a red-hot poker? You can't."
"I broadcast once myself. And the chief good it did was to help an old lady to keep her maids. They were on the point of leaving, but they listened-in on her set and decided to stay."

"That was a great work, wasn't it?"
"Gulliver wants £10,000 to lift his ban. I say it's too little. He should ask more."

Two Apples a Day—

He rose to go, sadly. "Suppose I've surprised you, haven't I?" he said. "Didn't think I was a pessimist?"

"Well, I'm 57, you know. I have to breakfast off two apples, now, to keep fit. Great things, apples." Oh yes, great things.

"Retire? No, I don't suppose I shall retire till I'm dead."

CHINA NEWS.

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DEFENCE OF PEKING.

Prospects of Peace Fade Away.

Prospects of peace having gradually decreased, Peking is preparing for defence, according to a number of reports to hand but, it is said, there are only 15,000 men in Tientsin.

The Northern faction's main base will be at Chengde, 175 miles south-west of Peking, where they are safe from any trencherous flank attack by General Yen Hsi-shan of Shansi, who has failed as peace-maker.

Change of Tactics.

At Tientsin, which is only 350 miles from Peking (as the crow flies), and which is inside Shantung province, the Northerners are feverishly erecting a system of defences and earth-works, including the most complicated trench connections of modern warfare.

Indications are not lacking that the Northerners are changing their tactics and trying to convert the war of "movements without fighting" into a campaign of "positions with bombardment."

While the Northerners are reported to be concentrating artillery at this point at Tientsin, however, the Nanking generals have not been idle—but in another direction.

Intelligence is again received, and the "Hong Kong Evening Post" is of the opinion that panic may seize the Northern defenders before they are ready to give battle.

Die-Hards Gain Ground.

As the die-hards are gaining ground in Marshal Chang Tso-lin's councils at Peking, the more competent younger generals are reported to be dissatisfied and jealousy is leading towards an open break which would be fatal at this stage.

Further victories are claimed by the Nanking armies, each wing having been reported to have made steady progress. Specific names are given of points where the Nanking armies have actually crossed the provincial boundary into Shantung, which is the last gap between Chiang Kai-shek's men and the metropolitan province of Chihli.

Anxiety in Canton.

From Canton it is gathered that a series of minor incidents are causing a little anxiety about the Communists and other agitators. The expedition which recently went out from Canton, up the railway to Shikwan and over the border into the south of Hunan province, is slowing up after having expended its first energy. The object, it will be recalled, was to harass the Harkow Party from the South and march on Changsha, an inland port, as a jumping off point towards Hankow.

YANG SEN'S DEFEAT.

Foreign Oil Stocks Safely Removed.

Ichang, June 15.

The return of Yang Sen to Shasi appears to have had little significance. Apparently, his defeat is such that he has been obliged to retire from the campaign against Hankow and he and his troops are now arriving in this neighbourhood.

The foreign Companies' supplies of oil here were successfully removed without interference and the boats taking it off have arrived at Hankow safely.—British Naval Wireless.

To Attack Again?

Shanghai, June 14.

General Yang Sen has cabled upriver (to his sphere in Szechuan province) for reinforcements. One of his supporters, General Liu Siang, is responding. The garrison at Wanhsien (where the "incident" occurred last September) is moving downriver as the vanguard of the reinforcements.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

Mystery General.

Shanghai, June 15.

General Hsia Tao-yin (the mystery general and "ally" of Yang Sen), who has been attacking the neighbourhood of Hankow and Wuchang from the east, issued a circular telegram on June 13 pledging support for the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's three principles, loyalty to Nanking and General Chiang Kai-shek and opposition to Communism.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

IMPROPER BOOKS.

Roman Catholic Prelate's Warning.

Rome, May 11. Cardinal Merry Del Val, as secretary to the Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office, has addressed the Episcopate on the world-wide subject of improper literature especially "books combining love affairs with a kind of religious mysticism, as if virtue and religion could join with the corruption of manners." The Cardinal added that the number of these books now being published in the world was so great that it was impossible to examine them and put them on the Index Expurgatorius, and Bishops must therefore undertake the duty of keeping them from their flocks.

UNFILIAL CONDUCT.

CHILDREN WHO ARE SELFISH.

ARE PARENTS TO BLAME?

Some of us can still remember (writes the Rev. D. Morse Boycott in the "Sunday News") the homely, comforting prints which used to be issued by the "Annuals," and which still hang in cheap frames in countless households in the land.

One such is of a parlour in the good, old-fashioned days. Father and mother are sitting in their seats by the fire-side. A grown-up daughter does the ironing. A cat licks milk out of a saucer on the hearth. Ivy peeps in through the window, and the door is opening to reveal the uniformed son just back from the ends of the earth, with a bird-cage in one hand and a welcome in the other.

The unfilial conduct of children towards their parents nowadays makes you wonder whether blood is really thicker than water.

The heart-ache of a parent is a hard thing to bear. The growing-up child sees only before him the vista of years in which he is to be the chief actor, the paramount person. He wants his place in the sun, and it is perfectly right that he should have it. He must increase while the parents decrease. But he ought to remember that he has been born on the altar of sacrifice. That, if his memory is short, his parents' is long.

As the strapping son or the daughter about to marry walk into the old family parlour they seem, in their parents' eyes, to be many persons. The past years spring into life, and the little ones prattle again and cling to their father and mother. Is it really true that the children don't care about us now, the parents think, when once we were all in all?

The home should be built on something firmer than sentiment, yet sentiment has its part to play. If only children would think things out! For their own sakes they had better do so, as the time will come when they, too, will be shelved by forgetful offspring.

I was walking along a busy street one Saturday night, when I responded to the attraction of a crowd, and pushed my way through to see what was happening. Before a shop window was dancing a poor old woman. Now and again she thumped upon the glass, while the crowd laughed uproariously.

Compassion seized me and I tried to ease the situation. Advancing to the window I spoke to the old woman, and was just beginning to understand her incoherent answers when, up from a grating on which I was standing came a shower of water, and I was wet from head to foot.

Meant for his Mother.

Now, the point of this reminiscence is not its humour, although it really was surprisingly funny (when looked back upon). The point is this. That old woman was the mother of the shopkeeper, and the water was meant for her. How often had the old, worn hands, in happier days, fetched a cup of cold water for the child! Most of us have had this experience of neglect, if not from our own children from those whom we loved as such. I remember once making friends with a boy, caring for him, clothing him, taking him away for holidays, in fact, treating him as an adopted son. And I know that he loved me then, and not for what he got out of me.

For five years there hardly passed a day when I did not see him. If he went out to the pictures, or I went out myself, he would come to say good night before he went home. That was years ago. Now he is "grown-up," and would not take the trouble to cross a road even to speak to me.

I know the idea. "Good enough," they say, "when we are little, but not good enough when we are older, and life is more exciting." But this is verily the refinement of cruelty. We nurture children because we love them, and look forward to the time when we ourselves may lean on them, and enjoy their freshness of vision when ours has grown a little dim. But the staff on which we lean breaks under us, and down we go to the depths.

But it is not always the prime fault of the children. As often as not the parents are to blame. The other day a girl was sought for who had just got a daily situation. She was found in bed at 10 a.m. When faced with the Episcopate on the world-wide subject of improper literature especially "books combining love affairs with a kind of religious mysticism, as if virtue and religion could join with the corruption of manners." The Cardinal added that the number of these books now being published in the world was so great that it was impossible to examine them and put them on the Index Expurgatorius, and Bishops must therefore undertake the duty of keeping them from their flocks.

There is something more brewed in that cup than tea. And it is trouble. Parents who acquiesce in their children's selfishness must not grumble when, in

COST OF LIVING.

CHEAPEST FOOD FOR 10 YEARS.

FURTHER FALL EXPECTED.

Official figures now available show that the cost of living today is lower than it has been for ten years, says the "Daily Mail" of April 29.

During the past month there has been a remarkable fall in the retail prices of food, an indication of which was given in the "Daily Mail" on March 18.

The present index figure, 55 per cent. above pre-war, is, as already stated, the lowest since 1917. A month ago the figure was 62 per cent.; two years ago it was 70 per cent.

The following table from the Ministry of Labour's index figures of average retail prices shows the reductions since the "Daily Mail" forecast, and also the corresponding prices two years ago:

	1927	1927	1925
Bread, 4lb.	9d.	9d.	10½d.
Bread (London) 9d.			
Flour, 7lb.	1/5½	1/5½	1/8
Beef, chilled			
rbs, lb.	9½d.	9½d.	10½d.
Milk, quart	6d.	6½d.	6½d.
Butter, fresh, lb.	1/10½	1/11½	2/14
Butter, salt, lb.	1/9	1/10	2/0
Eggs, each 1½d.		2½d.	1½d.
Cheese, lb. 1/1		1/1½	1/2½
Bacon, lb. 1/5		1/5½	1/8

Price of Fish.

The index figure for fish prices has been reduced during the past month from 114 to 106 per cent. above pre-war. To-day the Food Council, which is inquiring into the high price of fish, is to take evidence from the London Fish Trade Association and the Lowestoft Wholesale Fish Buyers' Association.

If world weather conditions remain satisfactory and trade undisturbed it is expected that there will be a still further fall in the general level of food prices during the next two months. Seasonal influences should aid this.

"Prices of houses have come down appreciably since the cut in the subsidy was announced," said Sir Kingsley Wood, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, at a luncheon in London recently of the Metropolitan Building Societies' Association.

OBITUARY.

MR. C. W. ALEXANDER PASSES AWAY.

Mr. C. W. Alexander, of the engineering department of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., passed away at home yesterday according to a cable received to-day by Mr. A. M. Simpson, another member of the Dock Company's staff.

The late Mr. Alexander was about 68 years of age at the time of his decease. He was a Scotsman, being born near Dundee, was married twice, and leaves two children by the second marriage, the younger being 15 years of age.

By profession a marine engineer, the late Mr. Alexander served some years at sea before taking up employment in Hong Kong and was in Singapore for a number of years. He joined the Dock Company about 1899, and after his first five years went to sea again for a spell, returning to the Company some 12 months ago. He left the Colony 18 months ago, and the general impression here was that he was returning after a long holiday in Scotland.

Mr. Alexander was a bowls enthusiast, and one of the founders of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

ICECREAM ARISTOCRAT.

The gas lamp of an icecream stall exploded near the hotel occupied by the Soviet delegation to the Economic Conference, causing a panic and wounding two persons.

The police are inclined to believe that the explosion was not accidental, the icecream stall proprietor being a Russian aristocratic refugee who has now disappeared.

The red flag is a symbol of all that is good in humanity.—Councillor Lowder, (Stepney).

Parents should see that their children do the share of the housework. Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Good training cannot eradicate selfishness, but it can control it, and insistence on filial duty would preserve the gold of love undimmed as the years go by.

FOXTROT AGAIN.

RE-ACTION AGAINST TOO MUCH CHARLESTON.

SEASON'S NEW DANCE.

A "new" dance is promised for the coming social season. On the dance programmes of two or three fashionable London dance-restaurants it already appears. It is the old friend, the foxtrot. It appears now in its 1927 guise as the "slow foxtrot."

Many of the younger generation, and people who took up dancing after the autumn of 1925, do not know how to dance & correctly. The ballrooms, now more crowded than ever, have not seen it for a very long time—as ballroom time is measured in these days of Charleston and Black Bottom and quick-changing dance tricks.

But, to be quite accurate, it is the old, smooth, sliding one-two, one-two, three foxtrot; the very orthodox dance which was evolved after the war from the original crude jazz dancing which reached its perfection in 1924, when competition dancing was the rage, and which declined, dying of its own rigid orthodoxy, as a quickened-up dance time reached our bands from America, and new conditions and new fashions demanded a livelier measure. The coming of the Charleston rhythm last year finished it off. It cannot be danced properly when the dance time exceeds forty-eight bars to the minute. Most hands play Charleston foxtrots at nearer fifty-six to the minute, and some go up to sixty and sixty-four. It is possible to Charleston with music going up to seventy.

"Graceful Dances."

What has caused the decided revival of this now old-fashioned dance? The demand, mainly, for an alternative to the quick foxtrot, the rather aggressively lively music to which the present generation do the dance of the moment, which is a combination of quick foxtrot and staccato Charleston. Young and agile people, good-natured dancers, people who look on dancing as playtime, and the ballroom as a place primarily to chat and laugh, flirt and dance amusing dances in, form what may be termed "the Charleston crowd."

But there is another element of the public which, while tolerant of Charleston and Charleston foxtrots, and even dancing Charleston dances, take their ballroom pastime more seriously, and want graceful dances as well as staccato ones. They have the waltz, but it is not played often enough; and, besides, it does not satisfy the dance desire entirely. They want a leisurely foxtrot. And there is a third element, which regards the Charleston, and the new Black Bottom dance, as ballroom bolshevism, and demands the restoration of the old, graceful foxtrot.

The Question of Space.

An association of well-known amateur and professional dancers has just been formed to extend the demand which several of the fashionable dance-restaurants have been experiencing for the re-introduction of the slow foxtrot. They intend to ask the bands, at every place they dance in, to play some foxtrots at the orthodox forty-eight bars to the minute. And probably they will succeed in getting it generally included in the dance programmes everywhere. It will not, however, replace the fast foxtrot or the Charleston. The latter is too firmly established now to be eliminated by a dance which, whatever its advantages, definitely of the past.

And besides, ballrooms are too crowded to-day to permit of too many slow foxtrots. Slow foxtrots require almost as much space for comfortable performance as waltzes. The step is longish gliding, gracefully rhythmic; the tendency is for the progression to be swift. The fast foxtrot, on the other hand, with its more compact hold, arm brought closer in, smaller, more staccato step, quicker beat, is perfectly suited to crush conditions; and you can pause to "mark time," and chat and laugh, in the latterday way, while doing it.

JAPAN'S FOREIGN TRADE.

The Finance Department announces that Japan's foreign trade for the month of May amounted to Yen 177,206,000 in exports and Yen 208,024,000 in imports, the unfavourable balance being Yen 30,818,000.

There is a decrease of Yen 70,000,000 in the aggregate of unfavourable balance of foreign trade for the last five months as compared with the same period of the preceding year.

KOWLOON CONCERT.

SATURDAY'S EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

CAMERONIANS' BAND.

Saturday is a full day in regard to the entertainment of Service men, concerts having been arranged both in Kowloon and Hong Kong.

That at the "Better Ole," Peking Road, under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Sub-Committee commences at 7 p.m. and an excellent programme has been arranged including the band of the 1st Camerons (Scottish Rifles) Ferrers D.S.O. and Officers (Conductor) Mr. Horace E. Dodwell L.R.A.M.; and the "J-Pans," under the direction of Miss Violet Capell, who are giving a new and up-to-date programme.

There will be no charge for admission and all Service men are cordially invited to attend.

WORLD THEATRE.

"SOUL FIRE" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

Actually, "Soul-Fire" (to be screened at 5.15 and 9.15 only) is a visualised symphony. Each part is an episode in the life of its young American composer and each part reflects the mood of its symphonic movement.

The prologue of the picture is a New York concert hall. The picture then fades into the first movement of the symphony, presenting, with a background of Italy, the revolt of the young musician against his thoroughly conventional parents. The second movement, the scherzo, takes the young hero to Paris, where he has grown successful as a writer of popular music. He revolts against the cheapness of this tawdry success, however, and the third movement, the largo, carries the composer to Port Said, where he is a derelict, a dreamer well nigh broken on the wheel of fate. However, the young genius finds himself—and real love—in the final movement, the rhapsodie, in the South Seas. Each episode in the film movement, and between each the camera swings back to the New York concert hall where the symphony is being played.

Other prominent players in support of Richard Barthelmess and Bessie Love are Walter Long, Harriet Sterling, Rita Rossi, Elsie Shannon, Lee Baker, Gus Weinberg and George Pauncefort.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.
June 15—Queen's Theatre; "The Exquisite Sinner."
June 15—World Theatre; "Soul Fire."

June 15—Star Theatre; "The Dixie Handicap."
June 15—Tea Dance, Cafe Restaurant Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

June 15—Isako's Circus, New Reclamation Ground, Praya East, Wanchai, 9.15 p.m. Matinee, 4 p.m.
June 15—First Appearance in Hong Kong of "The Kooky Olly Birds" at the Cinema, Mt. Austin Barracks, 8.30 p.m.

June 18—Grand entertainment for servicemen, at Theatre Royal, 6.30 p.m.

June 25—Fifth extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

Lammerts Auctions.
June 16—A quantity of household furniture will be sold at 55A, Nathan Road, Kowloon, by Messrs. Lammert Bros. 10.30 a.m.

June 22—A quantity of valuable household furniture will be auctioned by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at Westbourne Villa (West) 86, Bonham Road, opposite King's College, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.
June 15—Hong Kong Football League, Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.
June 15—St. Peter's Young Men's Club hold moonlight picnic, launch leaving Queen's Pier for Repulse Bay at 8.30 p.m.
June 24—Whist Drive at St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.
June 29—Lantern Lecture by Dr. Osma at St. Peter's Club, 8.30 p.m.

BRIGHT FISHING LIGHTS.

Ko Kong-ming, master of boat No. 2125 V, pleaded guilty at the Marine Court yesterday to using bright lights for fishing purposes in the Northern Anchorage, a prohibited area of the Harbour. (Marine Magistrate) imposed a fine of \$5 with the alternative of five days' imprisonment.

REPORT FROM BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG

Waterlevels in English Feet.

Place of Observation	on record	Lowest W.L.	W.L.	W.L.
		on record	12/6	13/6
West River at Shuhing	+41.0"	0"	+16.8	rising
North River at Tsingyue	+28.7"	0"	+15.5	rising
North River at Samshui	+27.5"	0"	+10.9	+11.3
East River at Shekling	+15.2"	0"	+11.3	+11.7

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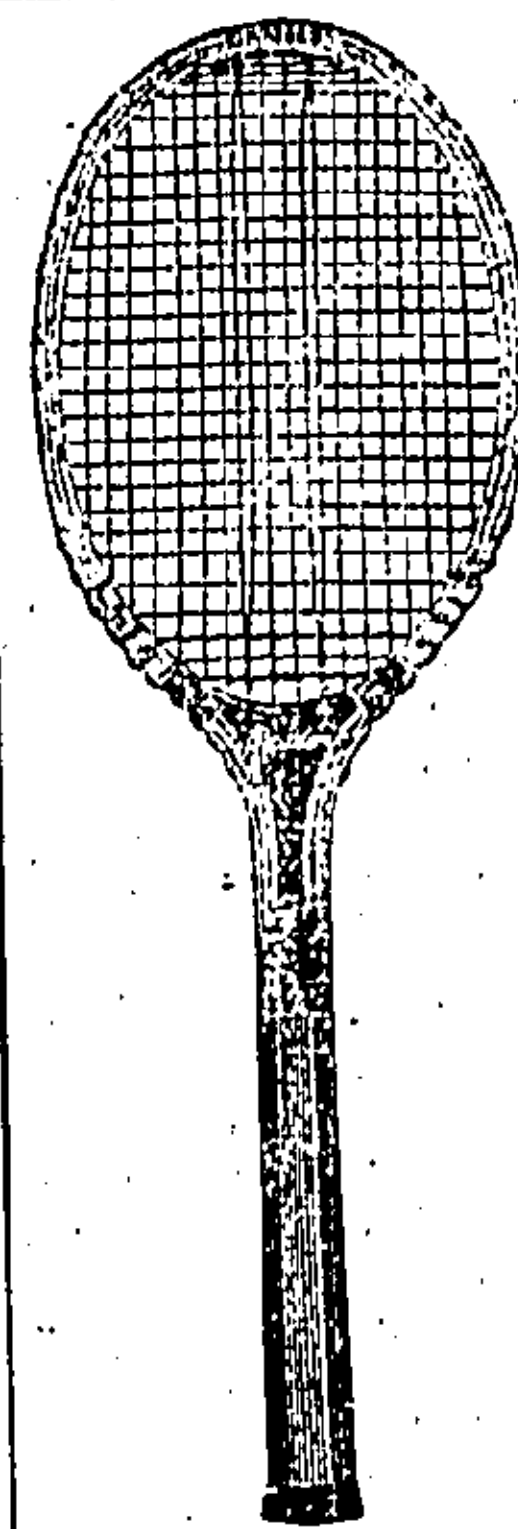
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The sale of No. 12 Cochran Street and No. 302, Reclamation Street, Mongkok, which was to have taken place at Messrs. Lamert Bros. Auction Rooms, Duddell Street yesterday was postponed.

Some valuable household furniture is to be sold by Messrs. Lamert Bros. at No. 86, Bonham Road at 2.30 p.m. on June 22. Full particulars are given in an advertisement on page 12. Intending buyers will note that motor buses of the Hong Kong Hotel leave Blaise Pier every 15 minutes for Bonham Road, and No. 86 is just opposite King's College.

A seven months old child has just won an action for libel, brought through his father, a journalist, against his nurse at Prague. In the absence of the child's parents the nurse offered the baby his milk bottle, and on the child refusing to drink, she shouted "Drink, you beast." A woman friend of the family heard the remark and told the parents. The girl pleaded guilty, and, at the father's request, the Court modified judgment to a severe reprimand.

Alarm is expressed by naturalists in Australia and New Zealand regarding the wholesale slaughter of whales in Ross Sea by Norwegian whaling concerns. It is estimated that whales are now being killed off at the rate of fifteen hundred annually. Mr. G. M. Thomson, one of New Zealand's leading naturalists, says such wholesale killing should not be allowed. Legitimate whaling, which took a certain toll, while preserving the main supply, is probably unharmed, but present operations mean the extermination of the Ross Sea whales in a very short time.

Tickets may be obtained at Anderson's for the concerts which are being given at the Cinema, Mount Austin, to-night, and the Royal Naval Canteen, to-morrow night, by the concert party of the 2nd/ King's Own Scottish Borderers. Their nickname, "Kooky Oly Birds" is derived from an old Regimental nickname which was given to the Regiment during the Boer War on account of the Blackcock feather which decorated its full dress headgear and which its pipers wear to-day in their gillies and on account of the initials of the Regiment when it was the King's Own Borderers.

Mr. N. S. Brown of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, accompanied by Mrs. Brown, sailed for Shanghai yesterday on the "President Jackson," where he is staying a while on business.

By the "President Jackson," Mr. W. S. Lantz of Dodge Brothers Motor Co. sailed from Hong Kong yesterday. He is going to Japan, accompanied by his wife, and will then proceed to America.

The "London Gazette" announces the promotion to the rank of captain of Lieutenant H.R.H. the Prince Henry, K.G., C.C.V.O., dated from May 11. Prince Henry belongs to the 10th Royal Hussars (Prince of Wales's Own).

Miss Isako, daughter of the proprietor of the Circus which is performing nightly at Wanchai Reclamation, and the show's equestrienne and tight wire walker, has been removed to hospital, to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Estate in the Colony amounting to \$39,500 and in the United Kingdom to \$5,000 was left by the late Sir John McLeavy Brown C.M.G., who died at the Langham Hotel, Portland Place on April 5, last year. Resealing of probate of his will has been granted to Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, attorney of Miss Hester Elizabeth Hill, of 120 Elgin Avenue, Belfast, Ireland.

The death took place recently at Knighton, Radnorshire, of Sir Francis Edwards, Bart., aged 75. Sir Francis, who had lived at Knighton for nearly 40 years and was identified with many public and charitable undertakings, was Liberal M.P. for Radnorshire 1892-95, 1900-10, and 1910-18—a constituency now merged with Breconshire. He leaves no heir to the baronetcy, which was created in 1907. He was formerly a solicitor.

On Saturday in mail week the Duke of Connaught celebrated his 77th birthday and many congratulations reached him at his villa at Cap Ferrat. Of recent years the Duke has always sought sunnier climes during the winter months for reasons of health, and everyone is glad to know that he has benefited so much from his stay on the Riviera this winter. Indeed, it will not be long before he returns to Clarence House, where there is certain to be a good deal of entertaining on a large scale during the London season. His Grace has been delighted to have Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught staying with him at Cap Ferrat, both of whom have just returned to 41 Belgrave Square looking very much better for their holiday.

Three cases of enteric fever were reported during the 24 hours ended June 14, two in Hong Kong and the other in Kowloon. One of the sufferers was a British subject, the other two being Chinese.

Edinburgh traffic policemen are wearing new white helmets. The innovation is an experiment by the Lord Provost's Committee, the idea being that motorists will be able to see the men better in the dark. Edinburgh is the first city in Scotland to try this.

An extraordinary scene took place at the Singapore police training ground a fortnight ago. A group of recruits were on parade when, following the sounding of a police whistle, a Chinese appeared, running hard and chased by another. The pursued man jumped into the sea and the recruits followed without hesitation. The man was overtaken and brought back but the disgust of his pursuers when they discovered that their prisoner was only alleged to have stolen two tins of milk can be imagined.

One of the effects of the rather extensive felling of the old elm trees that shaded the lawns of Marlborough House has been to drive further ahead the rather considerable cold of wood pigeons that have had their homes here for many years past (says the "Daily Chronicle"). This was one of the very few places in London's heart where these birds were in the habit of nesting, and their gentle cooing on a summer's evening always had considerable attraction for Queen Alexandra.

Chatting with a prominent banker the other day I ventured the hope that somehow, sometime, there might be a return to the days of the scales and scoop of which Charles Dickens wrote in "Little Dorrit," writes the London correspondent of a Liverpool paper. He was not very optimistic on the point, and although he agreed that sovereigns and half-sovereigns were easier to handle than notes and half-notes, he informed me that his view is to be estimated by the fact that he has superannuated his sovereign purse. There are some who think it would be difficult to return to the manipulation of gold coins, but, for my part, I only wish we had the chance.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. A. Brostedt, Oriental manager of Canadian National Railway, left Hong Kong yesterday by the "President Jackson" and is going to Shanghai on business.

A Toronto message announces the death of Sir John Willison Editor of the "Toronto Globe" from 1890-1902 and of the "Toronto Daily News" from 1903-1917.

Mr. Kwok Hin-wang, director of Messrs. Hin Fat and Co., Ltd., has purchased "Shuitong Villa," Sassoon Road, Mount Davis and has renamed the property "Diligent Home."

The Duchess of Bedford left Woburn Park, Bedfordshire, in a Moth aeroplane for a fortnight's aerial tour abroad. The first stage ended in Paris, whence she will fly to Spain and Morocco. Capt. Barnard is the pilot.

Mr. Augustine Birrell, who will promise to publish his memoirs, though he thinks he may write them some day, has done an introduction for a book which Jonathan Cape is now printing, "The Portledge Papers." They have lain for 280 years at Portledge in Devon, where most of them were addressed to Richard Coffin, by Richard Lapthorne, of Hattogarden, London. The period which the papers cover is from 1687 to 1697, and they are a first-hand record of its "chat of the town," meaning London.

The number of people—well-known ones, at least—who do not care a button about the unlucky number 13 grows every day. There are not too many, however, who positively seek out this usually dreaded figure. Yet, Lady Greenwood, wife of Sir Haman Greenwood, the former Irish Secretary, who was such a prominent member of Mr. Lloyd George's Government, does. It was her desire to live in a "No. 13" house, and she searched high and low until she found one. Happily, her husband did not care one way or the other about the matter!

The death of Lord Cowdray recalls the old story of the "Curse of the Cowdrays," pronounced by a monk on an ancestor of the Montagues for taking possession of Battle Abbey. The curse that "by fire and water his line should come to an end" was fulfilled in 1788, when the eighth Lord Montague was drowned in an attempt to shoot the Schaffhausen Falls, and Cowdray was destroyed by fire. To add to the family misfortunes, Lord Montague's son, Montague, a sister whose two sons were drowned while boating at Bognor. The late Lord Cowdray took his title from the Cowdray estate when he bought it.

Lord Provost Stevenson presided at a meeting of the Edinburgh Citizens' Cenotaph Committee, Colonel Robertson, V.C., moved that they accept an offer by the Town Council to place the Cenotaph in the central arch of the entrance to the Municipal Buildings, and that the memorial should be a replica of the Stone of Remembrance erected in all the British cemeteries abroad by the War Graves Commissioners.

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An instance of misplaced kindness is afforded by the following story of a tragedy at the London Zoo. A visitor threw a punctured tin of condensed milk to the bears' pit. A Malay bear began consuming it till a larger black bear disputed its possession. Mild cuffing led to twenty minutes' heavy fighting in which the Malay bear was dreadfully gashed. Each got its teeth fastened to the other and it seemed likely that both would die. Suddenly the black bear got a heavy grip of the enemy and hung on until the Malay bear dropped dead.

Oxford undergraduates have recovered from the reaction against brightly coloured clothes, which followed the stir produced by Oxford trousers, and the coming term bids fair to be one of sartorial magnificence. The "Oxford trousers" is reasserting its pre-eminence, but a shade of very light grey has superseded greens and mauves, but "plus fours" appear to be the favourite mode of dress—the baggier the better, and the colours are ravishing green and puce, and a bright brown which is almost orange. The vivid hues jumpers, which are also worn with them, are very short, sleeveless, and extremely low-necked. Hats are no longer de rigueur, and the coiffures seen are miracles of sleek perfection.

Mr. A. M. Kirby of the Standard Oil Co., and Mrs. Kirby, were passengers on the "President Jackson" which left Hong Kong yesterday for Seattle via Shanghai and Japan.

Mr. H. Kool, a Java government official, sailed from Hong Kong yesterday on the "President Jackson" for Seattle. He is accompanied by his wife and daughter and they are going on to Europe.

Professor F. R. Z. Rodenwaldt, of the Public Health Department, Batavia, joined the "President Jackson" at Hong Kong yesterday. He is accompanied by his wife. They stop over at Yokohama and will then go on to America and Europe.

The "President Jackson" left Hong Kong yesterday with a full booking of passengers for Shanghai, Japan and Seattle. Among those on board were Mr. P. M. Roll, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Lee, Mrs. C. N. Yvanovich, Mr. P. Kenner, Mr. C. W. Cumming, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Gold.

I heard last night of a musician who has eight children, whose names, out of honour for his art, he has made to represent the tonic sol-fa scale—the eldest being Doris, the next Rex, and so on (says a London "Evening News" writer). Musicians seem to have a special leaning towards christenings of that type. I know of a family where the boys were christened Haydn, Mozart, and Handel. The fashion for small families will probably put an end to these exuberant systems of nomenclature, as to so many other cheerful celebrations of the middle classes.

Mr. George Haven Putnam, head of the publishing house of that name of New York and London, who was in London at the opening of the Great Exhibition in Hyde Park in 1851, is paying his 61st visit to London, and it will probably be his last. "I saw the bank of the Thames turned from mud flats into the present beautiful embankment," he said to a "Daily Mail" reporter, and I saw Holborn Viaduct built. I hate the thought that London may lose some of its famous old squares, and if London allows these to be taken from her then she is very stupid!" At the age of 88 Mr. Putnam is still working hard. He walks four miles each day to and from his New York office and played lawn tennis last summer. "Though I do not feel old," he added, "this may be my last visit to London, as my wife thinks I am overdoing it by coming across here for three months every year."

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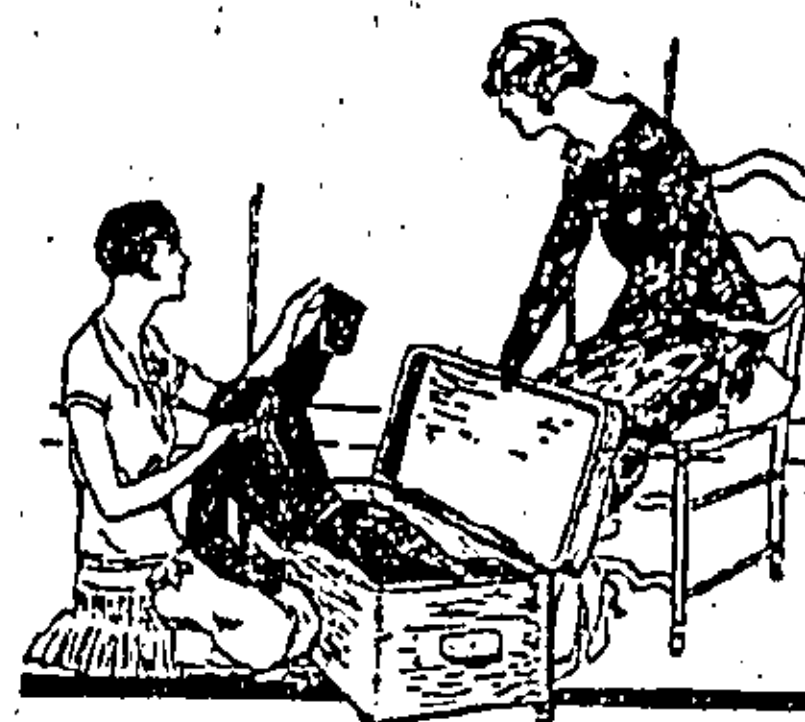
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FASHIONS AND FANCIES



The frocks that will appear in the daytime mode for this season will feature but few changes from the winter mode. Lines remain simple and such established styles as the bolero, bloused back, full front and other interesting modes remain decidedly present.

The most important point in this season's frock its tendency to reach normal waistline. The natural waistline is stressed in many of the frocks that come from Paris. There are many ways of achieving this; the belted line at the waist by means of a single or double belt, tucks that faintly outline the waist, a wide and tightly fitted hip band and a frock cut in the familiar basque shape being a few types.

Plants and shirtings loom important in the frocks that are very new. Fullness, however, remains massed in the front of the smartest dresses. Square, round or V necks are most frequently noted. These are offset by choker necklaces of pearls, crystals or semi-precious stones.

The flower continues an important decoration while bows at all places and in all sizes are to be found adding chic.

The skirt length in the newest frocks are a wee bit longer in the daytime mode. They now come an inch or two below the knee. Un-even hemlines are seen in the more formal types of dresses while the plaited skirts is still smartly seen.

Sleeves may or may not be seen in the afternoon dress. The ensemble idea is so strong that the coat that usually accompanies the dress makes long sleeves optional.

Mary Astor, stressing the youthful mode in her dress of black crepe satin, has a slightly Russian influence expressed in the gaily braided collar and cuffs. A bloused effect is used while a heavily fringed front panel lends originality. Miss Astor is seen in a pleasing role in the "First National film, "The Sea Tiger."

WAITRESS HATS.

"Tea-Shop" Effect in New Mode.

A debutante-to-be of the spring, who is now making a preliminary excursion into Society "to see how things go," recently appeared at a luncheon party at a West-end restaurant wearing an interesting hat modelled on the caps worn by the tea-shop waitresses.

Made in pearl grey petersham ribbon and black velvet, the "waitress" effect was so pronounced that most people paused to look again at the wearer of this hat. The grey ribbon made the outstanding curved fringe above the face, and came down "fringewise" over the forehead, the velvet band fitting snugly round the head.

The waitress hat is particularly well adapted for being worn by the bright-faced young girl, and it is likely to prove extremely popular with debutantes, especially as it combines youthful simplicity with extreme originality.

Sometimes the waitress hat is carried out in all black, in which case it is admirable for wearing with trim spring tailored suits. Other examples have the ribbon frill part of black petersham bordered with white or silver, but colour is taboo where this type of millinery is concerned. It must be black, allied with grey, white or silver, or all black, otherwise the piquancy of the design is lost.



The navy blue suit will appear to particular advantage this season as it has the hearty endorsement of a discriminating public. The careful tailoring that is so essential makes the suit extremely chic. Twill and fine woolsens appear to advantage in this one remaining example of the mannish mode.

Inasmuch as there is little that is startlingly new in the cut of the new suit, the accessories that complete it loom large on fashion's horizon. The suit itself comes with the short coat that either meets in the front or hangs open to reveal the smart new vests. The skirts are short and in general possess pleats in front or at the sides.

Accessories that mark the navy blue suit a smart costume include the following combinations; grey silk blouse, grey felt hat, patent leather Oxfords, sheer, grey silk stockings, grey suede flat bag, grey suede pull-on gloves, scarf of shaded blue and boutonniere in bright blue; the accessories that include beige tones may vary the hat by using lizardskin for bag and Oxfords and a buttercup boutonniere. A fox scarf is also becomingly

worn and is exceedingly chic in cross fox fur to accompany beige tones.

The vogue for black and white—which will take a place of first importance this season—finds a black tailored suit smartly outfitted with white satin blouse, sheer black stockings, black antelope bag, black felt hat, black fox scarf and a white gardenia pinned to the revers.

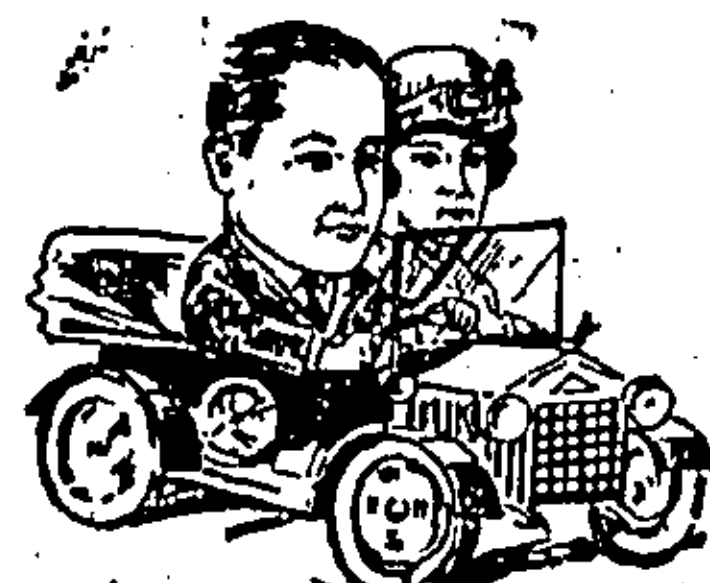
A lighter or brighter shade of blue, too, may lend contrast to the navy blue suit by appearing in the vest, hat, flower, purse, glove and shoe trimmings.

Billie Dove, who appears to particular advantage in the tailored mode of spring, has been seen wearing a navy blue suit designed along the newest lines. It is of Poiret twill, has set-in pockets, long manish sleeves and knickerdocked skirt. A smart hat of navy blue taffeta is faced in beige silk. Rose beige also contributes a chic silk blouse while beige buttoned gloves, pouch bag, hose and black patent leather pumps are completed in accessories by a rose-beige camelia. Miss Dove has an opportunity to wear this outfit in a scene from her First National film, "An Affair of the Follies."

PEPPY'S UGLY SISTER.

Pepys's inimitable pen has left us many portraits and one daguerro-type—in masterly shadow—his sister, Pall.

According to her brother Pall was no beauty. What looks she possessed seem to have been somewhat temperamental. Happy, she could be—as we shall see—comely; dull, she was what Samuel styles with fraternal bluntness—plain. She was also, one regrets to say, a slattern, with no inclination apparently, though sufficiently young and able-bodied, to improve matters in the untidy household at Brampton; and in the more private affair of personal cleanliness, going with the stream rather than against it. In Pall's day a bath was an ordeal to be deferred as long as possible; even washing one's feet seems to have been fraught with danger; whilst the state of people's heads may be inferred from Samuel's racy descriptions of those huntings with fine combs, which the maid and his boy were wont to pursue upon his own to beguile the leisure of an evening at home. And Sam was a



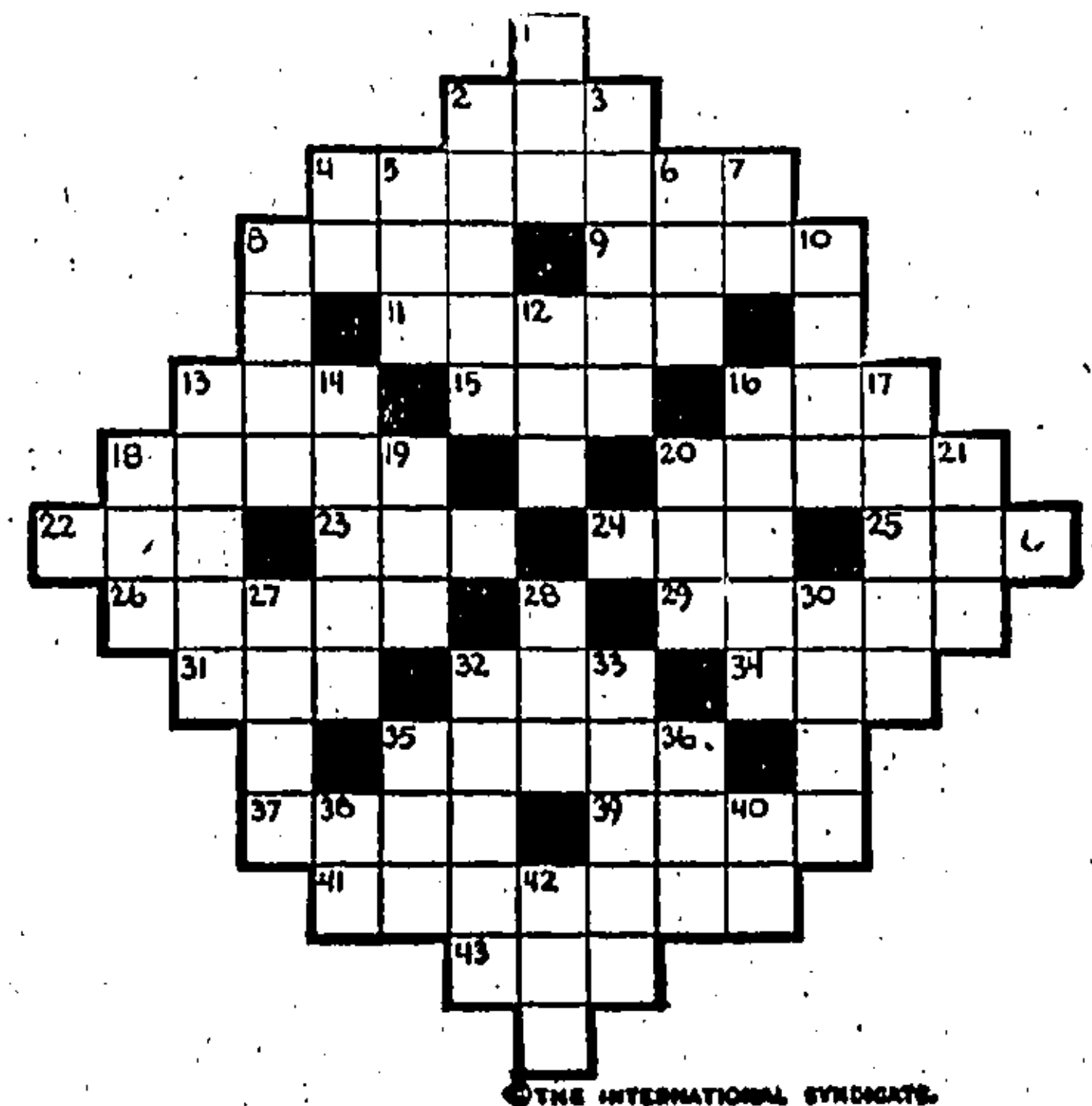
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 2-Turf
- 4-Ask
- 8-Stead
- 9-Gustance
- 11-Join securely
- 13-Child's drinking cup
- 15-Obstruction
- 19-Lake (Fr.)
- 20-Tight roll of tobacco leaves
- 22-Measure of length
- 23-Snake-like fish
- 24-An obstruction
- 25-In permitted
- 26-A fold of material
- 28-Mature
- 31-Sweet potato
- 32-Sack
- 34-Also
- 35-Melon-like fruit

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 37-A drop of salt water
- 39-Mother's sister
- 41-Addressed
- 43-To color
- 4-Thou
- 2-A mild lampoon
- 3-Put off
- 4-Eastern State (abbr.)
- 5-Ever (contr.)
- 6-Drunkard
- 7-Toward
- 8-Noley
- 10-To pull by force
- 12-Large commercial vehicle
- 13-Wildly
- 14-A flash of light
- 16-Boundary

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 17-Old-fashioned breastpin
- 18-To dip in liquid
- 19-Still
- 20-Automobile
- 21-Hastened
- 27-Toward the rising sun
- 28-Greek letter
- 30-To sulk
- 32-Wearied
- 33-Framework of bars to hold burning fuel
- 35-Patriotic organization (abbr.)
- 36-Owing
- 38-For example (Latin-abbr.)
- 40-No date (abbr.)
- 42-Visual organ

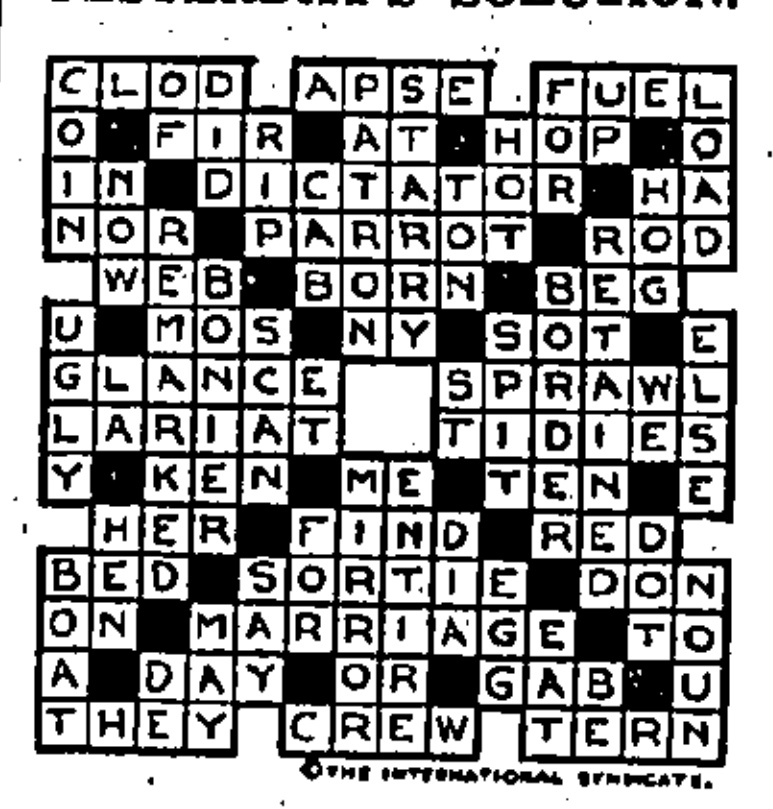
SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

great dandy; and his wife aspired to be a beauty; so that one can deduce from such evidence what Pall's appearance was likely to be, who had neither her brother's ambition nor the pretty airs and graces of her French sister-in-law.

As to education, had his sister's attainments equalled his wife's, one feels sure that Samuel would have mentioned the fact. Little Mrs. Pepys was fond of reading, it is true, but her writing and spelling put her fastidious husband to the blush, and it was he who instructed her in geography and arithmetic. Pall seems even to have lacked those lighter accomplishments—dancing, singing, and playing—which in those days compensated for the absence of more solid instruction.—G. H. Stevenson in the "Cornhill Magazine."

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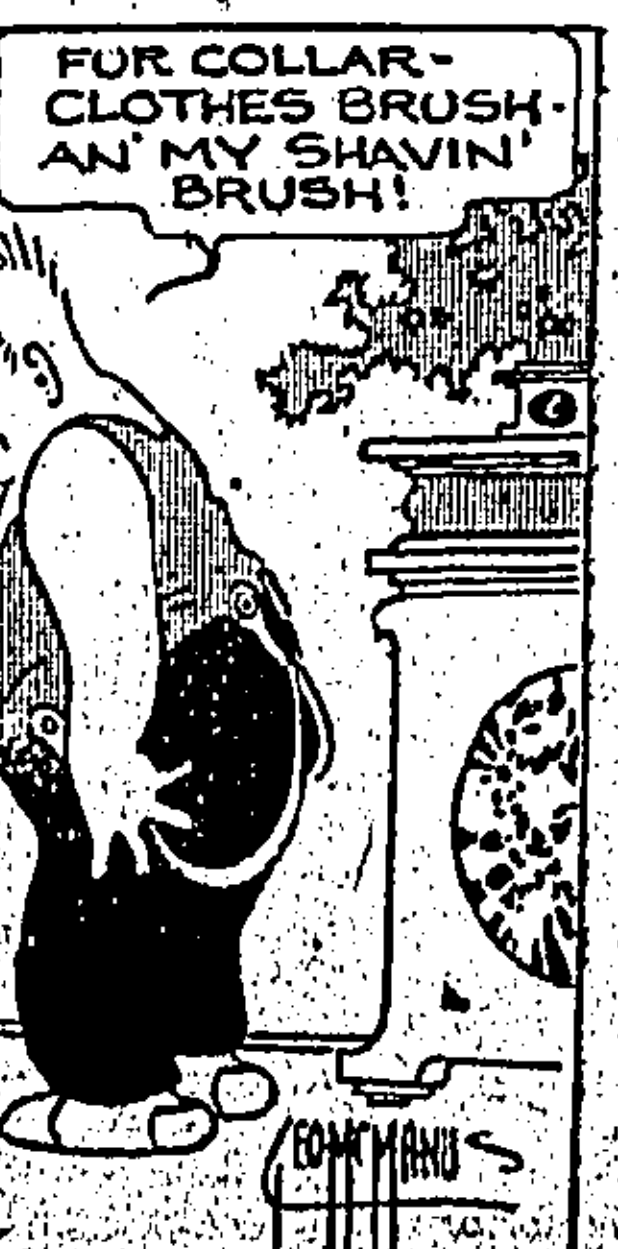
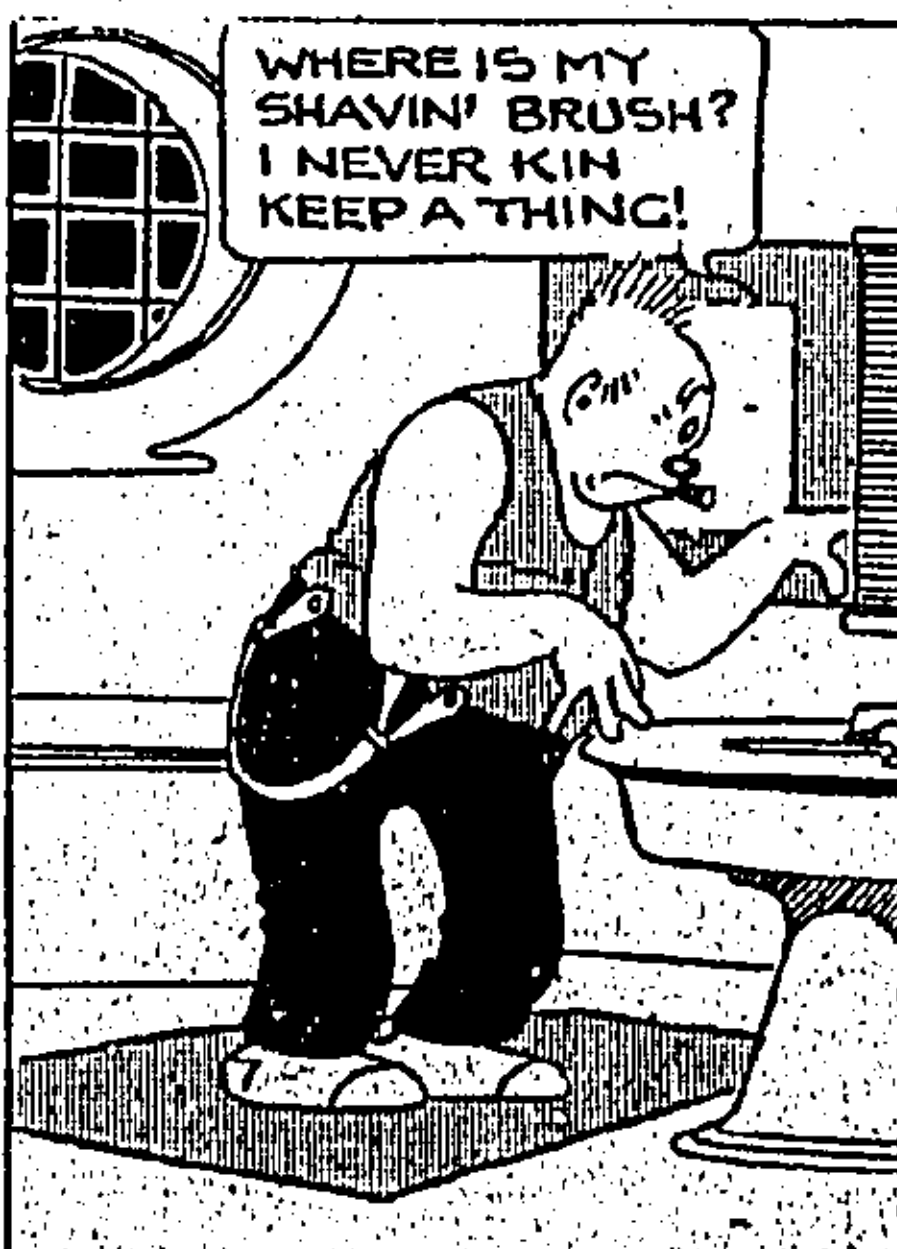
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Heavy catches of tope and dog-fish (species of small sharks) are being made daily by Deal and Folkestone fishermen.

Skipper Brennan, of the Grimsby steam trawler "Moravia," has been fined \$700 in Iceland for alleged illegal trawling.

While working on Machyaleth, Montgomeryshire, gasworks chimney, Walter Tomlinson, 23, a steepjack, fell 60 feet and was killed.

Princess Mary paid her first visit to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls at Clapham Junction, S.W., where she distributed the prizes.

The battered body of Margaret Farrell, 85, an old-age pensioner, whose house had been ransacked, was found in a field at Kirikee, County Wicklow.

A delegate conference of the London taxi-cab trade decided to request an interview with the Prime Minister on the question of reduced fares.

In a case of shoplifting at Dublin it was stated that a young woman carried away a tea service of 21 pieces without being noticed by the staff.

The women of the borough of Northampton are to present to the mayoress, Mrs. James Peach, a chain of office made of solid gold, designed by a local firm.

Mrs. Kenyon, the wife of an inland revenue official at Maidstone, was drowned through the capsizing of a boat on the River Medway between Maidstone and Tonbridge.

Walsall Town Council has authorised an expenditure of £16,300 on motor-omnibuses to take the place of tramway-cars on a section of the system which is to be scrapped.

Tomtits who built a nest in the Ross Memorial Clock at Wolverhampton, having gained an entry through the aperture used for the winding-key, have been evicted, their operations disorganising the mechanism.

Mr. John Sands, of Goodsoal Cottage, Burwash Common, Sussex, has celebrated his 101st birthday.

Of 28 officers of the Scots Guards who have gone with the 2nd Battalion to Shanghai 18 are Etonians, says the Eton College "Chronicle."

Mr. Wilfred Trubshaw, assistant, chief constable, has been appointed chief constable, of Lancashire, to succeed the late Sir Philip Lane.

The efforts of Mr. Stimson, President Coolidge's personal representative, to effect a settlement in the Nicaraguan civil war, have ended in failure.

Birmingham Housing Subcommittee are recommending acceptance of a local firm's tender for building 703 houses at Acoccks Green at a cost of £245,070.

In connection with a fire at Little Buds Farm, Shipbourne, near Tonbridge, Kent, in which a 300-years-old barn was destroyed, Tonbridge police arrested a youth.

A motor-car skidded and ran into a bank on the Cambridge Road, near Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, and Mrs. Alice Burtwell, of Winchester Road, Highgate, N., a passenger, was fatally injured.

The Mexican Supreme Court has revoked the partial injunctions granted by the lower courts to nine foreign oil companies restraining the Federal authorities from enforcing the new land and petroleum laws.

The jury at Swansea Under-Sheriff's Court awarded Mrs. Mary Linnard £1,400 damages against Mr. William Davies, motor-car proprietor, of Llanelly, for the loss of her husband, killed by Mr. Davies's motor-car.

An order has been issued for the removal from the Commission of the Peace for Barrow-in-Furness of the name of Mr. John Craig, landlord of the Bay Horse Hotel, Hawcoat, Barrow, who was fined £25 for assaulting a girl aged 11.

The Royal Bank of Scotland is to issue a new one pound note of the same size as that issued by the Treasury.

In recognition of 40 years' service to the city of Salisbury, the freedom of the city is to be conferred on Alderman Hoskins.

Mr. Ernest Ball, the author of "Love Me and the World is Mine" and many other popular songs, died suddenly from heart failure at Santa Anna, California.

The G.W.R. steamer St. David struck Pennington rocks near Fishguard, in a fog, and was slightly damaged, but reached port unassisted after four hours' delay.

The King and Queen were to attend a special matinee performance of the musical play "Princess Charming" at the Palace Theatre, W.C., on May 20, in aid of the League of Mercy.

On June 9 a race will take place on the Thames between sailing barges, the course being from Lower Hope Point, below Gravesend, to the Mouse Light and back to Gravesend.

The price of London standard grade flour was officially advanced by 1s. per 280lb. to 47s. for delivery in the Home Counties, with 6d. to 1s. less delivered in the London district.

In the 107 county boroughs and great towns of England and Wales recently, the births numbered 7,602, the largest number in one week since the week ended June 5, 1926, when the total was 7,833.

Among a collection of samplers sold at Messrs. Sotheby's, one dated 1648, worked with floral patterns, the whole in coloured silks, with three lines of lettering, giving date and name of the worker, realised £142.

Mr. W. Lavender, a farmer, of Blackmore, near Chipping Ongar, Essex, while driving cattle towards the farm was attacked by a bull, but a farm labourer came to his aid and drove the animal off with a pitchfork.

A letter of protest against the proposed development of a part of Windsor Forest between Ascot and Bagshot, where it is intended to open up sites for building, was read at a meeting of the Windsor Rural District Council.

The coal output of the mines of Great Britain for the week ending April 30 last, when 1,028,700 workers were employed, was 5,500,100 tons, compared with 3,640,600 tons raised by 1,025,200 workers a week earlier.

The following United States warships will visit Gravesend:—The light cruiser "Detroit" from June 20 to July 12; the destroyers "Borie" and "Tracy," July 27 to August 8; and the destroyers "Whipple" and "Barker," from July 1 to July 7.

When protests were made at Newton Abbot Rural Council against the practice of speculators purchasing or leasing workmen's cottages in South Devon and letting them furnished to holiday-makers, it was stated that one woman used nine cottages in that way.

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Hung Hopik, from Tokyo.
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E. V. JESSEN,
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Hong Kong Station, June 9.

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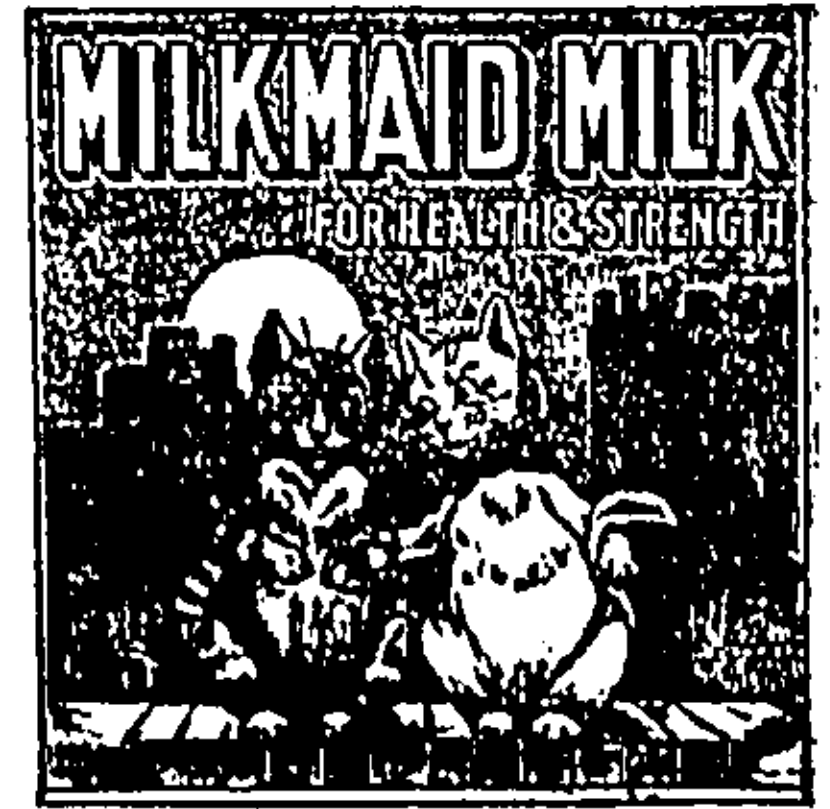
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During the interruption of the Hong Kong-Macao cable service the Macao Radio Station will remain open for the exchange of telegrams with Hong Kong from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Hong Kong Station is always open and messages are accepted at any time throughout the 24 hours.

INWARD MAILS.

From	WEDNESDAY, JUNE	Per
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	15	Aachen.
Australia & Manila	16	Aki Maru.
Shanghai	17	Luchow.
Straits & parcel mail from London of 5th	17	Kalyan.
May	18	Alipore.
Sunday	19	Pyrrhus.
Suez & Straits	20	Empress of Russia.
Manila	21	Angers.
Japan & Shanghai	22	Patroclus.
Suez & Straits	23	Helenu.
Straits	23	Helenu.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	WEDNESDAY, JUNE	Per
Macao	Cheunchoh	3.45 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow	Chong On	4 p.m.
Saigon	Yunnan	5 p.m.
Straits & parcels for Germany via	Aachen	5 p.m.
Hamburg	Kotsu Maru	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Bandoeng Maru	10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjisaraen	11.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Kwaiyang	4.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Namsang	5 p.m.
Amoy	Tenn	8.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Aki Maru	9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching	Noon
Manila, Australia & New Zealand	Change.	
via Thursday Island—due Thursday 20th June. Parcels 3	Minsang.	
Letters 5 p.m.	Fut Tai	4 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels Noon.		
Letters 1 p.m.		
Sandakan		
Sunday		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 18th July. G.P.O.—Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. K.P.O.—Registration 8 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Suwa Maru.	
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via	Kalyan	10.30 a.m.
Siberia	Shikang	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Antung	5 p.m.
Amoy		
Sunday		
Swatow & Bangkok	Kwanchow	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

CLOSE STRUGGLE.

IRISH FREE STATE ELECTION FIGURES.

SMALL GOVERNMENT LEAD.

London, June 14. The final Free State election figures, exclusive of the national and Dublin Universities' results to-morrow are as follows:—

Government	45
Fianna Fail	44
Labour	22
Independents	12
Farmers	11
National League	8
Sinn Fein	5

It is expected that the National University will return two Government candidates, while a third will be automatically allotted as Speaker of the Dail.

Dublin University will return three out of the four Independent candidates.—Reuter.

Earlier News.

The probable final result of the Irish Free State elections is as follows:—

The Government 47, the combined Republicans (Fianna Fail and Sinn Fein) 50, other parties 55, including a score of labourites.

The election is regarded here as a victory for the supporters of the Anglo-Irish Treaty. In view of the reduction of the strength of the Government Party an alliance between them and one or more of the smaller constitutional groups is thought likely.—Reuter.

BRITISH FILMS.

HOME LEGISLATION NOW MODIFIED.

THE VIEWS OF THE TRADE.

Rugby, June 14. The Government's Cinematograph Films Bill, which abolishes so-called blind and block-bookings and secures the exhibition of a fixed quota of British films, has been modified as a result of a meeting of representatives of the trade.

The details of the agreement were revealed in the House of Commons by the President of the Board of Trade to-day.

The Bill proposed a quota of 6½ per cent. on British films, rising by 2½ per cent. a year to 25 per cent. The proposal has been modified so that it operates for twelve years only, and the maximum quota is 20 per cent. instead of 25.

It was stated that the trade held that permanent protection of the industry was inadvisable, and was intended merely to establish the industry on national and imperial grounds.

The Committee accepted the Government amendment.—British Wireless Service.

WARSAW TRIAL

SOVIET OFFICIAL TO BE PRESENT.

Moscow, June 14. At the invitation of the Polish Extraordinary Court, M. Rosenholz, former Soviet Charge d'Affaires in London, has left for Warsaw to attend the trial of Kowalev in connection with the assassination of Volkov.—Reuter.

Chained to a Corpse.

Helingsfors, June 14. Notwithstanding the inclusion of Mr. Elvengren in the list of those executed in Moscow, there has been learned from a trustworthy source by the Moscow "Telegraph" the gruesome account of Elvengren's death some time ago.

After having been tortured by the Cheka he was taken to the mortuary vault of the prison and chained to a corpse for five days when his mind became unhinged. He was executed while insane. The Finnish Government has formally protested to Moscow demanding an explanation of Elvengren's execution.—Reuter.

Canada and Russia.

Victoria, B.C., June 14. The Minister of Lands, Mr. Pattullo, announces that the contract with the Soviet Government for 4,000 horses from Western Canada, which was negotiated prior to the rupture of diplomatic relations, will be carried out. The horses will be shipped from Montreal in July.—Reuter.

TODAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 1/16.

FRENCH TARIFFS.

THE EFFECTS ON BRITISH TRADE.

HOPES OF SOME RELIEF.

Rugby, June 14. The effect of the French tariff proposals on important branches of British trade, based on particulars supplied by the chambers of commerce and trade associations, has been communicated to the French Government and has formed the subject of conversations in Paris.

The President of the Board of Trade, Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, stated in the House of Commons to-day that he could not say at present how far the French Government would find it possible to meet their wishes, but he was led to believe that the tariff was likely to be less onerous in some respects than was proposed in the Bill now being considered by the Customs Commission of the French Chamber of Deputies.—British Wireless Service.

COPPER PRICES.

MAKING THE BRITISH PAY HIGHER.

RUBBER NO ANALOGY.

Rugby, June 14. The formation of a company embracing a large proportion of the producers of copper in the United States with the object of regulating the sale of raw copper outside that country was the subject of questions in Parliament.

Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, President of the Board of Trade, said he was aware that important European interests were parties to the arrangement and he was informed that since its formation the prices quoted to British consumers were frequently higher than to American consumers.

He added that he would welcome the development of copper production, and in answer to a supplementary question said there was no similarity between the control of rubber, for which prices were common to the whole world, and that of copper, in which there was differentiation in prices.—British Wireless Service.

BRITISH EXPORTS.

£70,000,000 MORE THAN IN STRIKE MONTH.

ADVERSE BALANCE REDUCED.

Rugby, June 14. The British trade returns for May show exports exceeding those of any month since March of last year. They totalled £83,500,000 over the previous month.

Compared with the figures for May of last year, there was an increase of £70,000,000, but the exports in that month were adversely affected by the general strike.

Last month's export figures were however, only £900,000 lower than those of May, 1925.

The adverse balance was reduced by a drop in imports of £4,250,000 compared with April.

The imports for May totalled £96,000,000.—British Wireless Service.

WEST OF SUEZ.

"RENOUW" PASSES THROUGH CANAL.

Rugby, June 14. H.M.S. "Renouw," with the Duke and Duchess of York on board, passed through the Suez Canal to-day.

The High Commissioner in Egypt, Lord Lloyd, went on board to greet the Royal tourists, and remained during the passage through the Bitter Lakes section of the Canal.—British Wireless Service.

LABOUR DISPUTES.

IMPROVING CONCILIATION MACHINERY.

A COMMITTEE MOOTED.

London, June 14. The committee stage of the Trade Unions Bill was completed in the House of Commons under the guillotine. In response to Conservative views, Sir Arthur Steel Maitland, Minister of Labour, undertook to consider the creation of a committee to see how the existing conciliation machinery could be improved in the case of vital industries.—Reuter.

JEROME K. JEROME.

DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN AUTHOR.

London, June 14. The death is announced of Mr. Jerome K. Jerome.—Reuter.

Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, after a career as a clerk, schoolmaster, journalist and actor, made a great hit with "Three Men in a Boat." His play, "The Passing of the Third Floor Back" had an extraordinary success. Mr. Jerome produced "The Great Gamble in 1914" and "Cook" in 1917. He published his autobiography in 1927.

The Cause of Death.

Rugby, June 14. Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, the well-known novelist and author, died to-day from cerebral haemorrhage.—British Wireless Service.

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